Tales of Tenchi #1:
FORTUNE HUNTERS

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...KO!

RYOKO!

"This book is witty, charming, well drawn, and well written"

--EX: The Online World of Anime & Manga

"What makes this series so special is its sheer unpredictability; the story can shift in a heartbeat from light love comedy to serious soap opera to stirring space opera, and the most outlandish comedic character can suddenly reveal a tender side in the least likely moment. Tenchi is always quite a ride."

--Comics Buyer's Guide

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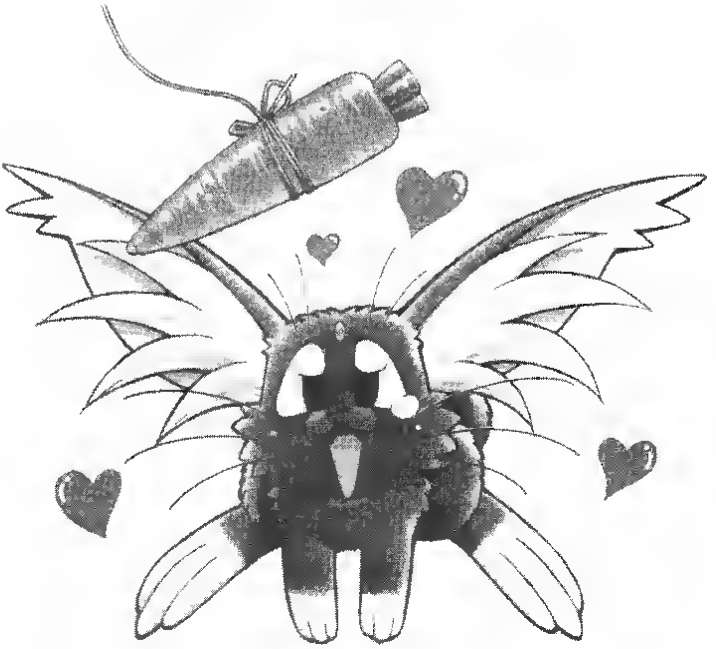

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WH-WHO ARE YOU?!
A STRANGER? NO! I KNOW YOU... I MUST'VE KNOWN YOU.
YOU...
YOU'RE...! !!
UNH ...!

WHA...?
WHAT *IS* THIS...?!
TH-THAT...
THAT'S ME!

YAAAAAH!

WHAT'S ALL THIS NOISE, HUH?!
GUSH
IF YOU MUST TALK IN YOUR SLEEP-- KEEP IT QUIET!
I...
I'M SORRY
HUH
?
I...
I CAN BEAT YOU!
RYOKO...THE INSOLENT AND ILL-MANNERED RYOKO...IS MEEKLY ADMITTING THAT SHE WAS WRONG?!
YEEP!
.....
NOW WHAT?
A-AYEKA, WHAT HAPPENED?! YOUR FOREHEAD --IT'S BLEEDING!
YAA
AAAAHHHH!!!
WHAT?
GOSH
.....
IS IT DAWN YET ...?

ESH!
WOP
A...
HFF
WHAT WAS THAT ...?!
UFF
A DREAM ...?!
UFF
HFF
WHAT'S GOING ON?! DAMN...
PAFOOM
SHWAP!

DING DONG
HI! LIQUOR STORE-- THE BILL'S DUE!
IS IT THE BILL COLLEC-TOR?
CAN'T YOU TAKE A JOKE?
OH! SASAMI, COULD YOU TAKE CARE OF IT?
RYOKO? ARE YOU SICK?
N-- NO. I'M FINE ...
.....
KLAKETTA
I WONDER WHAT'S UP? IT'S NOTHING NEW THAT SHE'S WEIRD, BUT THERE'S SOMETHING DIFFERENT IN THE QUALITY OF HER WEIRDNESS...
!!
OH, PLEASE! WHAT AM I THINKING?
KLIK
KLAK
YAAAAAAAH!
THIS EPISODE'S THEME SONG!
PIT PAT
PIT PAT
PIT PAT

KLINK
KLACK
GASP
CHMP
TJMP
.....
.....
I'M... DONE.
WHOA!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH RYOKO?
I TOLD YOU!
SHE USUALLY EATS FIVE BOWLS.
.....
ENOUGH ALREADY.
I'VE GOT IT! SHE'S LOVESICK!
SHE'S BEEN THINKING ABOUT TENCHI SO MUCH, SHE'S LOST HER APPETITE!
PLEASE! IT'S NOT LIKE SHE'S BEEN BOTTLING UP HER EMOTIONS!
RYOKO
CLASSIC SYMPTOMS!
RYOKO'S ANYTHING BUT CLASSIC!

COME TO THINK OF IT...
...WE DID ALL GO TO TOKYO THE OTHER DAY--AND YESTERDAY'S CHRISTMAS PARTY WAS AWFULLY FESTIVE...
AND THIS LIQUOR BILL IS THE FINAL BLOW!
470,000 YEN! WHO COULD DRINK THIS MUCH?!
GEE! I REALLY WONDER ...
I--I COULDN'T HELP IT!
YOU HAVE TO DRINK AT CHRIST-MAS.
HOUSEHOLD COOKING BOOK
THIS ISN'T GOOD. DAD IS AWAY ON A TRAINING TRIP WITH HIS CO-WORKERS HE WON'T BE BACK UNTIL THE MIDDLE OF JANUARY.
WHAT!?
WHAT SHOULD WE DO? AT THIS RATE, WE CAN'T EVEN BUY ANY RICE CAKES FOR NEW YEAR'S!
Hmm
I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED
WASHU, COULD I TALK TO YOU ...?
drag drag

AYEKA, THERE'S A BIG PROBLEM!
THE MONEY!
HUH? MONEY?
WHAT'S UP?
THERE'S NO MORE MONEY!
SNP
SNAP
WE ONLY HAVE 312 YEN LEFT!

AYEKA! AYEKA!
CLIK
CLIK
CLIK
WHY-- SHE HUNG UP ON ME!
HELLO, DEAR! ♡
MISAKI!
SO UNUSUAL FOR AYEKA TO COME BEGGING FOR FAVORS!
I THOUGHT I HAD RAISED HER WELL, BUT SHE IS STILL A CHILD.
WHAT SHALL I DO?
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO SEND ANY MONEY, ARE YOU?
HMM? OH, NO...
OF COURSE NOT!
SPOILING HER NOW WOULD JUST MAKE HER A ROTTEN ADULT..

AYEKA, LISTEN TO ME...
PLEASE... I'M BEARING *ENOUGH* SHAME JUST *MAKING* THIS REQUEST.
WHAT?
YOU'RE *ASKING* FOR *MONEY?*
FORGET ABOUT THAT *GOOD-FOR-NOTHING* AND COME BACK TO JURAI.
WHAT?!
FINE! I *WON'T* ASK YOU!
FSSSH
WOOM
GRRK
LORD TENCHI IS NOT A GOOD-FOR-NOTHING!

NOW THAT THAT'S SETTLED, LET'S HAVE SOME TEA.
I'M ALL FOR THAT! ♡
COME WITH US, DEAR!
OH... YES...
NO, WAIT ...I RECALL SOMETHING I MUST DO...
SOME OTHER TIME?
THAT'S TOO BAD.
IT'S VERY GOOD TEA THAT YOSHO HAS GIVEN US...
EXCUSE US, THEN ♡
HURRY, FUNAHO!
GLOOM
.....
VIP
BEEP BEEP BEEP
LET'S SEE... MASAKI, MASAKI... WHERE IS IT?
SUCH A SOFTIE! ♡

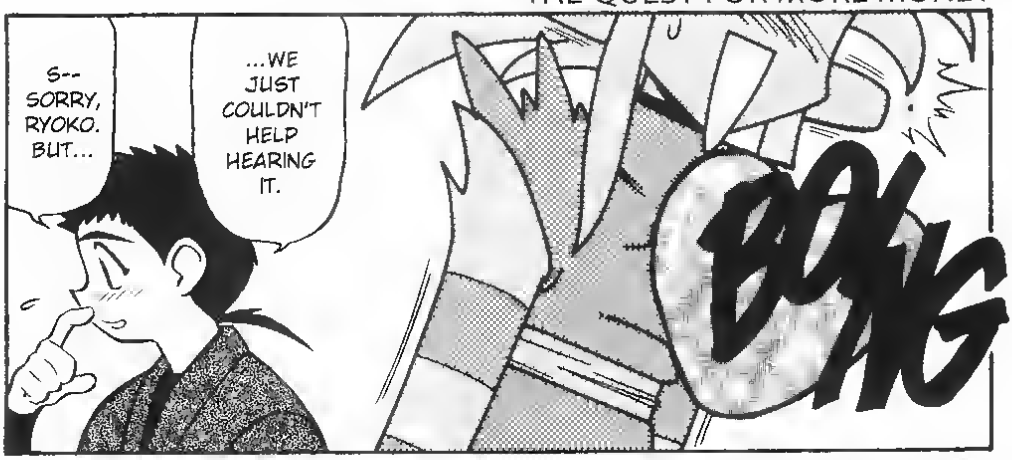
SIGH
FU-NAHO!
THAT'S GOOD OF YOU, DEAR.
A CERTAIN STERN-NESS AIDS IN A CHILD'S GROWTH.
I HAVE SO MUCH TO LEARN FROM YOU!
OH...
IT'S NOTHING!
JUST LET ME CORRECT ONE THING...
HRM
LORD TENCHI IS CERTAINLY NOT A GOOD-FOR-NOTHING-- NOT AT ALL.
I'M SURE THE TWO OF THEM WILL MAKE IT THROUGH THIS LITTLE CRISIS, HAND IN HAND...
...AND THEIR BOND WILL GROW EVER DEEPER.
TITCH
Y...
Y-- YES...
TITCH

TREASURE!
!?
WHA ...?!
RYOKO!

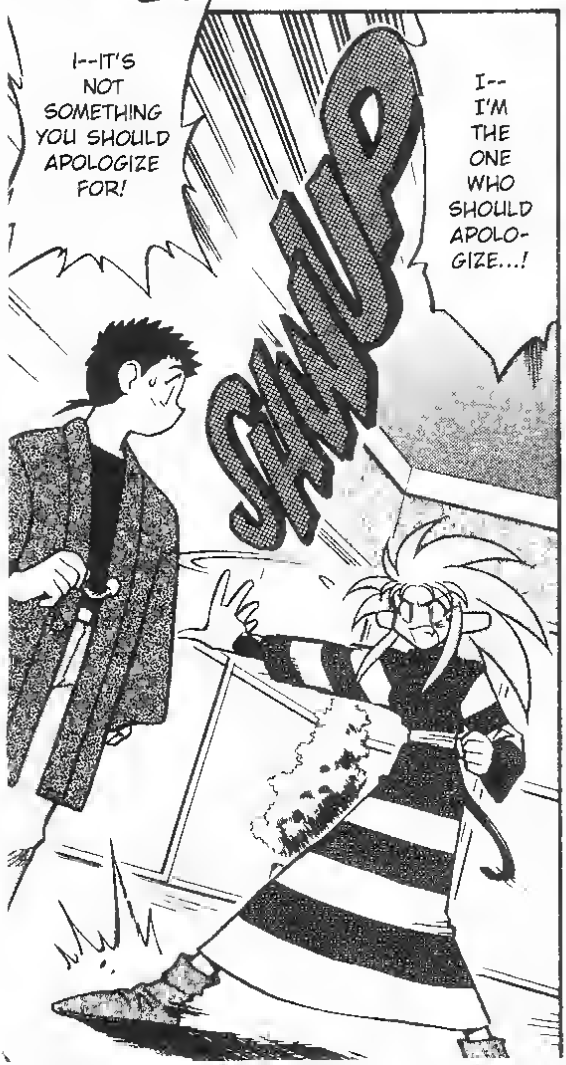
GRRR! HE'S SO HARD-HEADED.
NOW NOW-- ALL PARENTS ARE LIKE THAT.
yak yak
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO, SASAMI?
OH, AYEKA ...
WE'RE GOING OUT TO FIND PART-TIME JOBS!
OKAYAMA JOB LISTINGS
BUT EVERY PLACE I CALL SAYS THEY'RE FULL UP 'TIL NEXT YEAR.
OH, WELL-- I'LL JUST ALTER THE BANK DATA AND...
STOP THAT!
IF ONLY THERE WERE SOME TREASURE BURIED SOME-WHERE..
HMM.. NO OPENINGS FOR A PRINCESS..

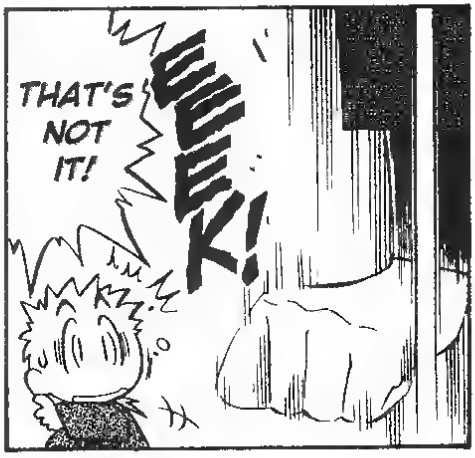
I MET HIM...
THE GUY IN THE DREAM-- ON THAT PLANET!
CLANG
LINH!
IT'S NO USE! I CAN'T RECALL!
BUT...
PA POOM
PA POOM
WHAT IS THIS FEELING ...?!

RYOKO!?
I GUESS ...MY MEMORY CHIP'S BEEN OUT OF WHACK ...
...BUT WHEN MIHOSHI MENTIONED "TREASURE," I SUDDENLY REMEMBERED!
IT WAS THE "TREASURE" YOU WERE SEEKING UNDER KAGATO'S ORDERS... RIGHT?
NO... THIS WAS UNKNOWN EVEN TO KAGATO.
I HEARD A RUMOR SOMEWHERE ABOUT A HIDDEN TREASURE ON A CERTAIN PLANET..
AND, AND..? DID YOU FIND IT? ♡
ACTUALLY... I DON'T HAVE ANY MEMORY OF GETTING IT...
THAT'S RIGHT...! IT WAS THEN!



NOT THE OLD 'HEART OUT OF THE CHEST' GAG!





IT COULDN'T BE...
COULD IT?!
pa
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pa
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♡ I SEE...
OH...
UM.. UH..
DID... DID YOU HEAR THAT?
YES! ♡
I GOT EXCITED JUST LISTENING TO YOU! ♡
STARTING ...FROM WHAT PART ..?
YESH.
UMM, FROM WHERE YOU WERE ATTRACTED TO THE BOY YOU MET ON THE PLANET WHERE THE TREASURE'S HIDDEN.

I...
...I DON'T WANT TO LIE..

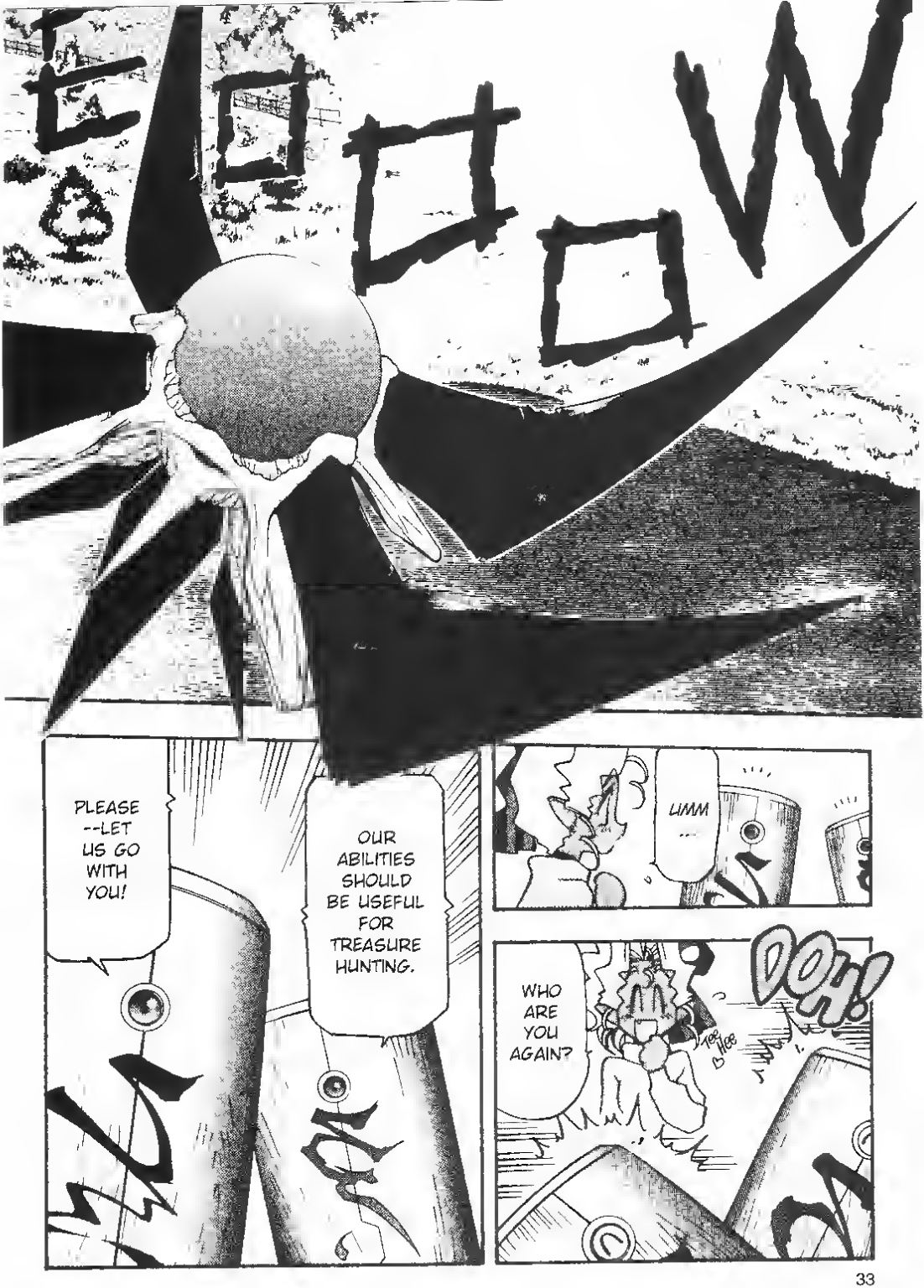
I LOVE YOU THE MOST!
THAT'S NOT IT, TENCHI!
REALLY!
BUT...
BUT... IT'S ALSO TRUE...THAT I CAN'T GET THAT GUY OUT OF MY HEAD...

THAT MEANS THERE'S A GREAT POSSIBILITY THAT THE TREASURE IS STILL THERE.
HUH?
AYEKA, YOU MEAN ...
THIS IS IT-- SALVATION FOR THE AILING MASAKI FAMILY FINANCES!
EVERY-ONE! LET US DEPART AT ONCE!
BOOM

RYOKO..
AYEKA?
LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT ...
...ACCORDING TO YOUR STORY, KAGATO DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THAT PLANET EITHER...
RIGHT, RYOKO?
WHAT?
...UM, YEAH--I GUESS THAT'S RIGHT..

I WONDER WHAT'S UP WITH AYEKA?
SHE'S NOT THE SAME!
AYEKA, IS THIS YOUR SUITCASE?
THANK YOU, LADY AYEKA! ♡
HUH?
YOU'RE BEING SO SWEET TO RYOKO!
THANKS, ON BEHALF OF EVERY-ONE. ♡
I--I WASN'T REALLY ...
MYEOW!
WELL, LET'S LEAVE IT AT THAT!
REALLY, WASHU! I WASN'T!
DO IT, RYO-CHAN!

DEPART ...? AYEKA, WHAT DO YOU...
A-- AYEKA?
LORD TENCHI, IT'S NOT A CRIME ON EARTH TO TAKE TREASURE THAT SOMEONE LEFT SEVERAL HUNDRED YEARS AGO, IS IT?
U-- UM, NO...
BUT SOME-ONE *MIGHT* HAVE TAKEN IT ALREADY ...
ALL THE MORE REASON TO *HURRY!*
PACK UP OUR CLOTHES "
SHE'S RARIN' TO GO.
YEP.
NOT A SEC TO SPARE!
COME ON! RYOKO, DON'T JUST STAND THERE!
THE TREASURE --I HEAR IT CALLING US!
ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE NOT *POSSESSED* OR SOME-THING?


PLEASE --LET US GO WITH YOU!
OUR ABILITIES SHOULD BE USEFUL FOR TREASURE HUNTING.
UMM ...
WHO ARE YOU AGAIN?
DOH!

WOW
IT AMAZES ME EVERY TIME!
HURRY, SASAMI!
PRIN-CESS!
TOKTOK

KA-SHIP
HUH?
WHAT IS THIS ...? LOOKS LIKE A CHI DETECTOR
TO SPACE!!
SEEMS THE MEMORY ITSELF HAS BEEN DELETED, BUT THE SEMICIRCULAR CANALS CAN'T LIE.
MR. TRACKER III CAN DEDUCE THE ROUTE TO THIS PLANET BY USING THE INTERNAL STRUCTURES OF RYOKO'S DIRECTIONAL SENSE.
NOW THAT WE HAVE THE MAP, LET'S BE OFF!
ONWARD!
WHEE!
TO SPACE! ♡
BIP! BIP! BEEP!
WH-- WHY?!
ba BEEEEP!
WHY DOESN'T ANYONE ANSWER?!
BIP BIP BIP

THAT'S HARSH-- EVEN IF THEY HAVEN'T APPEARED MUCH!
AZAKA KAMIDAKE OH YEAH!
BUT LOOK! THE LAST TIME THEY SHOWED UP WAS A TITLE PAGE IN VOLUME 7.
FURTHERMORE, THE LAST TIME WE HAD ANY DIALOGUE WAS VOLUME 1, PAGE 49...
SOB SOB...
BY THE WAY, RYOKO, WHERE EXACTLY IS THIS PLANET WE'RE GOING TO?
ACTUALLY ...
I'M TOTALLY MISSING THAT PART OF MY MEMORY! I DON'T BELIEVE IT!
THIS IS WHERE ...
TADAAA!!
MR. TRACKER III COMES IN!
NOT ANOTHER WEIRD DEVICE ...
AND SHE'S SO HAPPY ABOUT IT...

VMMMMM VM KMM
SHAAAAA
!
SHAAAAA
I FEEL IT.../

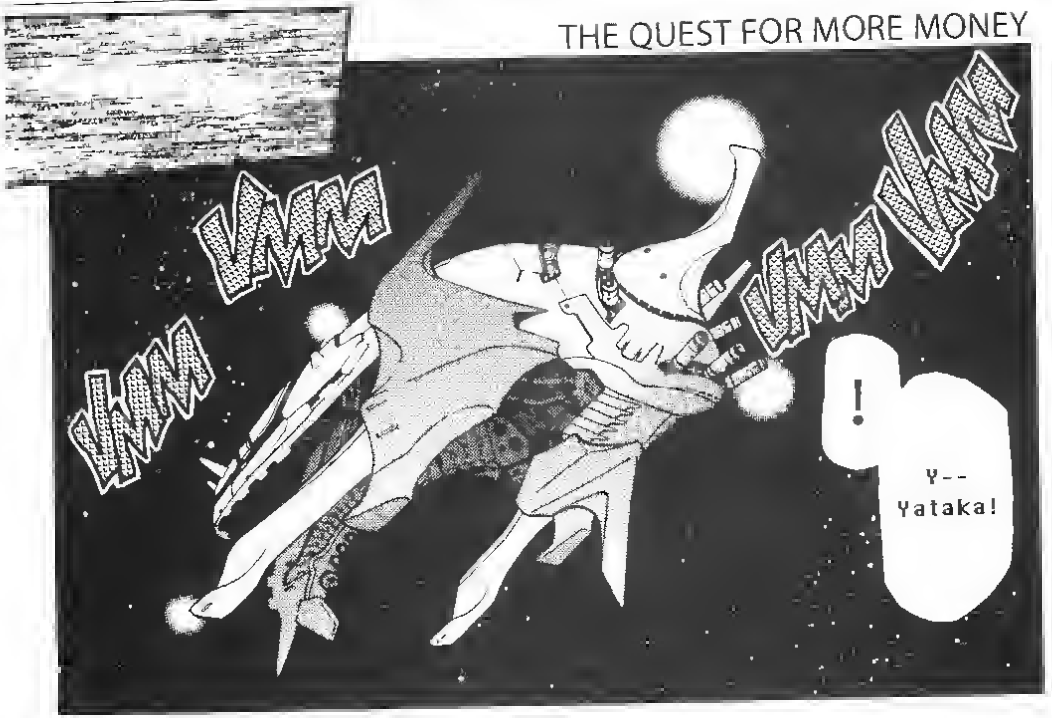
VMM
VMM
VMM
HEY!
TEA'S READY!
HUH? WHERE'S TENCHI AND RYOKO? IT'S TEATIME!
?
OH, IT'S OKAY.
THEY'LL HAVE IT LATER.
?
REALLY?
SASAMI
REALLY.
AYEKA
VMMMMMMM
VMM
VM
VM
.....

....
I SEE ...
YOU'RE GUIDING HER-- GUIDING RYOKO.
TITCH
....
HEH... YES...
YOU KNOW ALL ABOUT IT...
SOON...
tap
SOON I WILL SEE HER AGAIN ...!

RYOKO!!
RMB
RMB
RMB

VMMM
VMMM
VMMM
VMMMM
VMMMM
-SIGH-

Tales of Tenchi #2: SORROW


VWM
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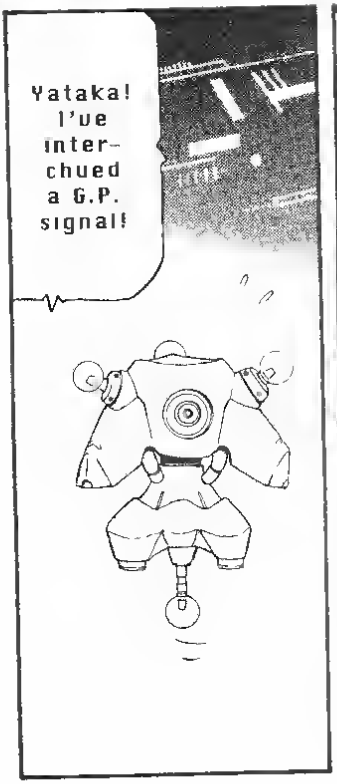
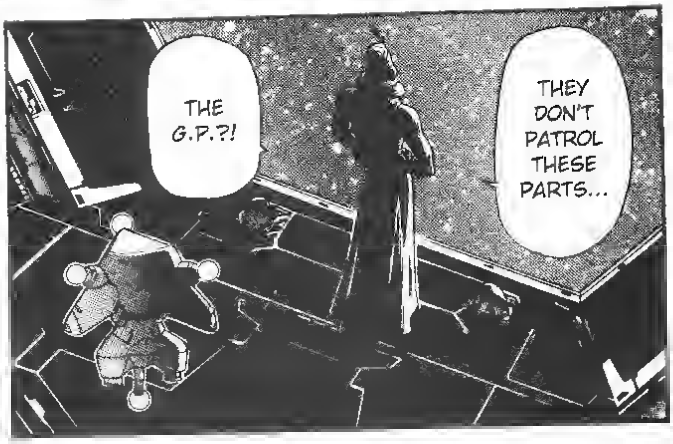
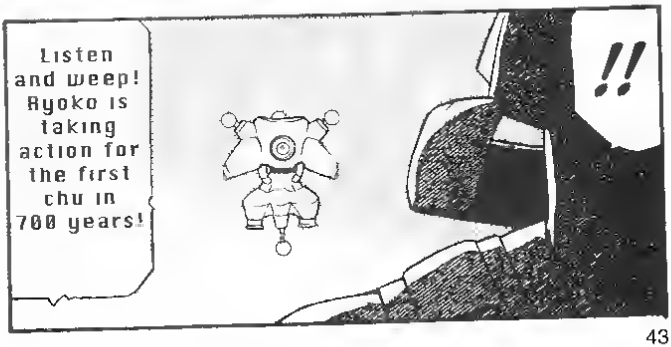
!
Y--
Yataka!


Yataka! I've inter-chued a G.P. signal!


THE G.P.?!
THEY DON'T PATROL THESE PARTS...


Listen and weep! Ryoko is taking action for the first chu in 700 years!
!!

WHAT'S UP WITH THOSE TWO ...?
WAS IT A BAD IDEA TO LEAVE THEM ALONE..?
DAM DAM
-:YAWN!:-
OH, MY-- IT'S TIME FOR THE PERIODIC REPORT...
eep.
HELL-OOO!
LADY MIHOSHI... COULDN'T YOU JUST ONCE CONTACT H.Q. BEFORE YOU WERE BEEPED?
-:YAWN:- SOR-REEEE.
A JOB AT THE G.P. MUST BE TOUGH.
I CON-CUR.
YOU THINK SO?
I THINK GALAXY POLICE HAS A TOUGHER TIME EMPLOYING MIHOSHI...
LET'S SEE HERE...
VMMMMMMM

JAMMING POWER AT MAXIMUM!
PURSUE RYO-OH-KI!
ROGER!
CHU!
BUT FIRST LET'S EAT
LUNCH TIME! ♡
Who, Me?
It's your turn today!
THIS IS BAD...
I'VE NEVER SEEN RYOKO LOOKING SO FRAGILE...
VHMMM

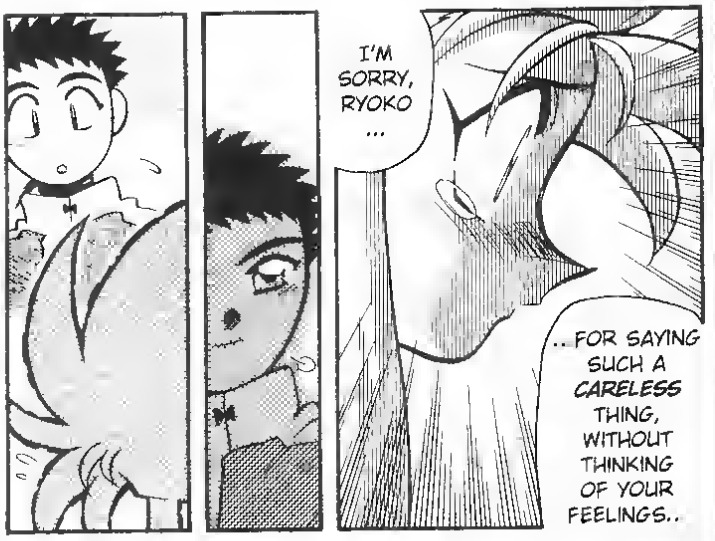
WHAT!?
DID YOU SAY RYOKO?!
And on top of that, I hear she's out to get some old "treasure" for the second chu.
OOH, TREASURE! ♡
HEH... HEH, HEH! SO SHE'S BACK ON THE STREETS AND THIS IS *RYOKO* WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ...IT WOULDN'T BE, LIKE, *ANY* OLD TREASURE!
SHE'LL LEAD US RIGHT TO IT! THIS IS, LIKE, MY CHANCE TO SNATCH IT AGAIN!

WE'VE GOT TO GET THERE--SO THAT RYOKO CAN RETURN TO HER REAL SELF!
VOODOO
I...!
I HAVE TO SAY SOME-THING!
HAVE COURAGE, RYOKO!
SKRRRM
A-ALL RIGHT!

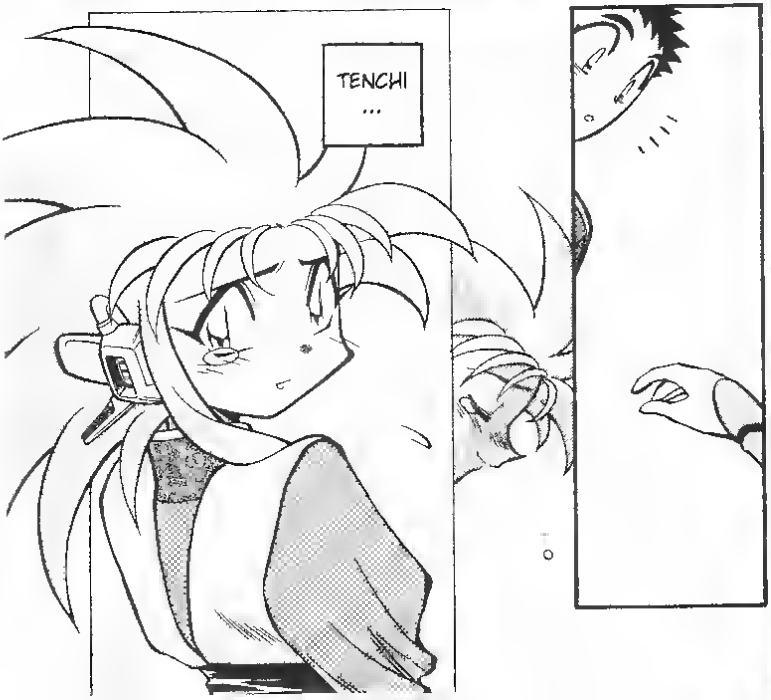
I...
I DON'T WANT TO LIE...
RYOKO...SHE LOOKED LIKE SHE WAS REALLY SUFFERING, RYO-OH-KI.
GOSH! I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED 800 YEARS AGO?
RYOKO ASKED ME TO CHECK THIS OUT EARLIER...
KKA TAKKA
...AND IT TURNS OUT SHE'S RIGHT!
SHE DIDN'T JUST FORGET-- SHE'S GOT A SECURITY LOCK!
SECURITY?
BY WHOM? FOR WHAT?
BEEP
I DON'T KNOW YET...
BUT THE ANSWER'S ON THAT PLANET!

?
I MIGHT'VE FALLEN IN LOVE WITH TENCHI TO *REPLACE* HIM...
JUST THINKING ABOUT IT TEARS AT MY HEART *SO MUCH...*
H-HEY ...
HOW COULD YOU SAY THAT...!
ARE YOU SAYING YOU COULDN'T CARE LESS ABOUT ME!?
RYOKO...
FOOSH
OH! WAIT!

fwsh
fwsh
T-TENCHI, UM...!
R-RYOKO, I...!
.....
ER...
UM...
UH, ER...!
YA
"NOTHING" ...?!
.....
THIS GUY YOU MENTIONED? REALLY-- IT MEANS NOTHING TO ME...


I'M SORRY, RYOKO ...
..FOR SAYING SUCH A CARELESS THING, WITHOUT THINKING OF YOUR FEELINGS..

BUT I DON'T WANT YOU TO WORRY
WE ALL JUST ...
...WELL... WANT YOU TO GET BACK TO YOUR NORMAL, CHEERFUL SELF!


TENCHI ...

COULD YOU...

...LEND A HAND?

SLAM!
O-
OWW
...
A-ARE
YOU
OKAY?
I...
I'M
FINE!
SWIP

RMB RMB
TH-THAT SHIP!
IS IT MIKAMO?!
OUCH!
HEH, HEH... OOPS.
IN MY RUSH TO SEE YOU AGAIN, I FORGOT TO HIT THE BRAKES!
LONG TIME NO SEE, RYOKO! YOU BEEN ON VACATION?! HUH?!
YOU...! JUST AS I THOUGHT-- YATAKA!

WHA?!
!
SOME-
THING'S
COMING?!
DAMN!
?!
EVERY-
ONE!
BRACE
FOR A
SHOCK!
YOW!
ASH

AND THAT BRAT BEHIND YOU?
!
WHO'S HE?
OH! I SEE!
YOUR LOVE TOY!
THEY CALLED YOU THE FIEND OF DESTRUCTION! HUH! GUESS YOUR TASTES CHANGED...
HEH HEHHEH!
WELL!
grrr
WHAT VULGAR MANNERS!
IF YOU'RE GOING TO, LIKE, KEEP A HAREM, AT LEAST SHOW SOME SPUNK!
OR DOES A COMBAT-BUFF LIKE YOU PREFER SOMEONE ELSE TO TAKE THE GENTLE ROLE?
VREEE
D...

IS THIS THE GUY WHO ...?
NOTHING AS NICE AS *THAT!*
YATAKA'S THE BIGGEST ***RAT*** IN THE WHOLE PIRATE CREW! A ***HYENA***, A ***VULTURE***--HE ***LIVES*** TO SNATCH OTHERS' QUARRY!
I DIDN'T REALIZE YOU KNEW ME SO ***WELL...*** ♡
AND?! WHAT'S YOUR PREY ***THIS*** TIME?
I bet it's the *treasure* you failed to get 800 chus ago, isn't it?!
!
OOH! BULLSEYE, HUH?
HA, HA, HA!
YOUR ONLY FAILURE, AS FAR AS I KNOW-- BESIDES THAT ***TSUNAMI*** AFFAIR...
HMMM?

We've had plenty of time to plan against Ryo-oh-chu's abilities.
SH...
SIGHH
WHY FIRE KNOWING IT'S, LIKE, USELESS? HUH?
SHUT UP, SHUT UP, SHUT UP!
FOSH

DON'T YOU INSULT TENCHI!
TWO
RYO-OH-KI!
MREOOOOOOW
RYO-KO!
FOOL.
DODGING AND RUNNING ARE MY FORTE.
Chu it to me!

IT CAN'T BE!
FWEEOOM
MYOW
MEOW MYOW MYOW MYOW
RYO-OH-KI 1, YATAKA 0
I'LL BE BA A A A ACK...
YAY!
YAY!
ALL RIGHT!
YOU DID IT!
YEAH!
OH... UM...
S-SORRY I WORRIED YOU, TENCHI...
UM...

AHHH!
HUH?
SKRA
RYO-OH-KI'S POWERS...
...TOTALLY DIFFERENT FROM 800 YEARS AGO!

VM
.....
ODD.
MR TRACKER III CALCULATES THAT THIS EXACT POINT IS OUR DESTINATION!
VMMM
BEEP BOOP
COULD RYOKO'S SEMI-CIRCULAR CANALS BE ROTTEN?
HMPH! BET MR. TRACKER'S ON VACATION!
THAT'S QUITE BOLD--TO SLANDER YOUR MOTHER'S CREATION!
IT'S A FACT!
MREOW!
WHAT IS IT, RYO-OH-KI?
GRAVITY CONSTANT IS RANDOMLY VARYING?!
WOP
!!

♪ UH-OH! STILL ALIVE...

WH-WHAT'S THE MATTER, RYO-CHAN?!
CALM DOWN, EVERY-ONE!
IT'LL STABILIZE SOON...!
IT'S NOT SAFE TO ACCELERATE LIKE THAT!
VWEE
VEEEE
EEK!
WHOA!
!
WH...
WHAT IS THIS...?!

WH-
WHAT
IS
THIS?!
REEE
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WH-
WHAT'S
GOING
ON?!
WHAT?!
IT'S
CALLING
ME!?
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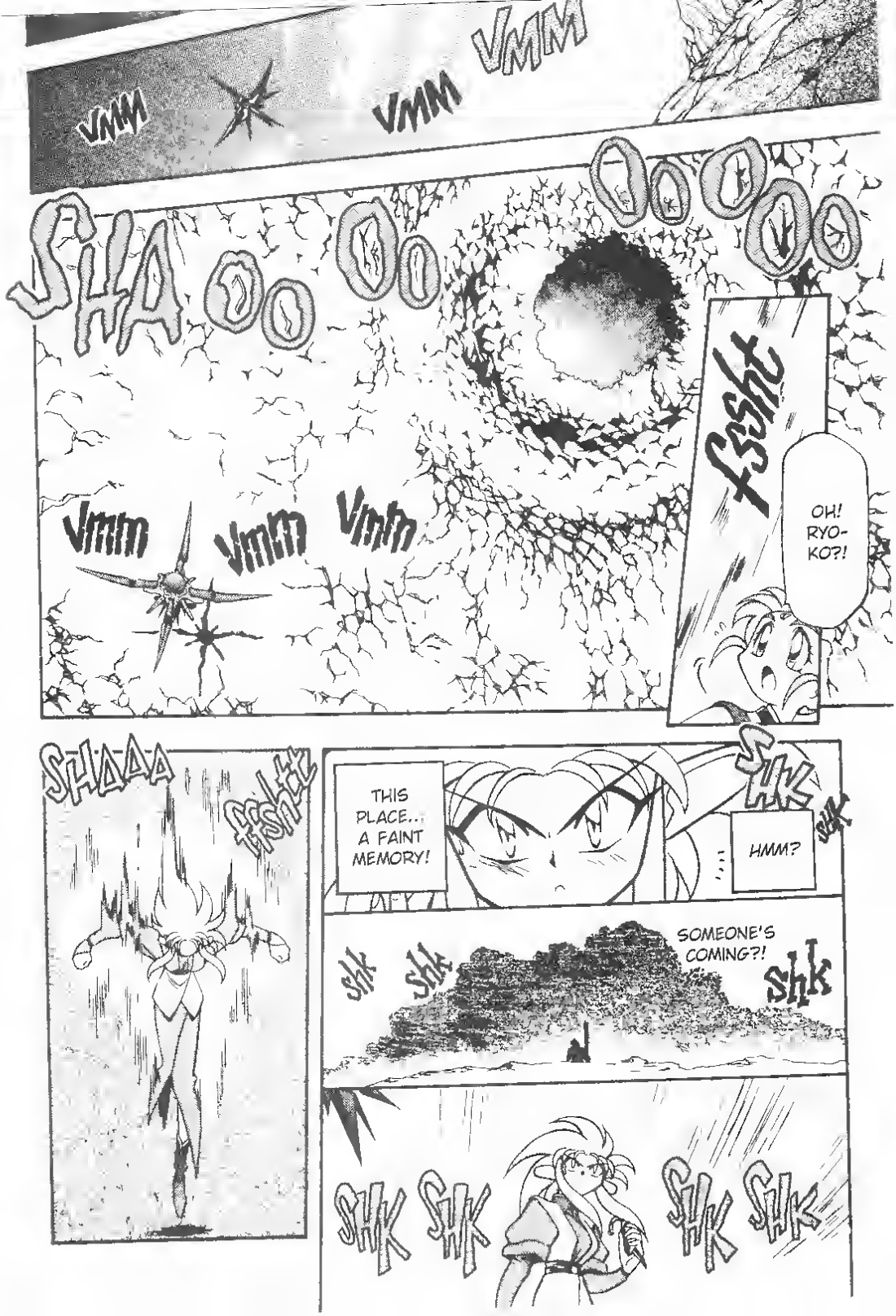
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OH! RYO-KO?!
SHADOW
fsht
THIS PLACE... A FAINT MEMORY!
SHK
HMM?
SOMEONE'S COMING?!
shk
shk
shk
SHK
SHK
SHK
SHK

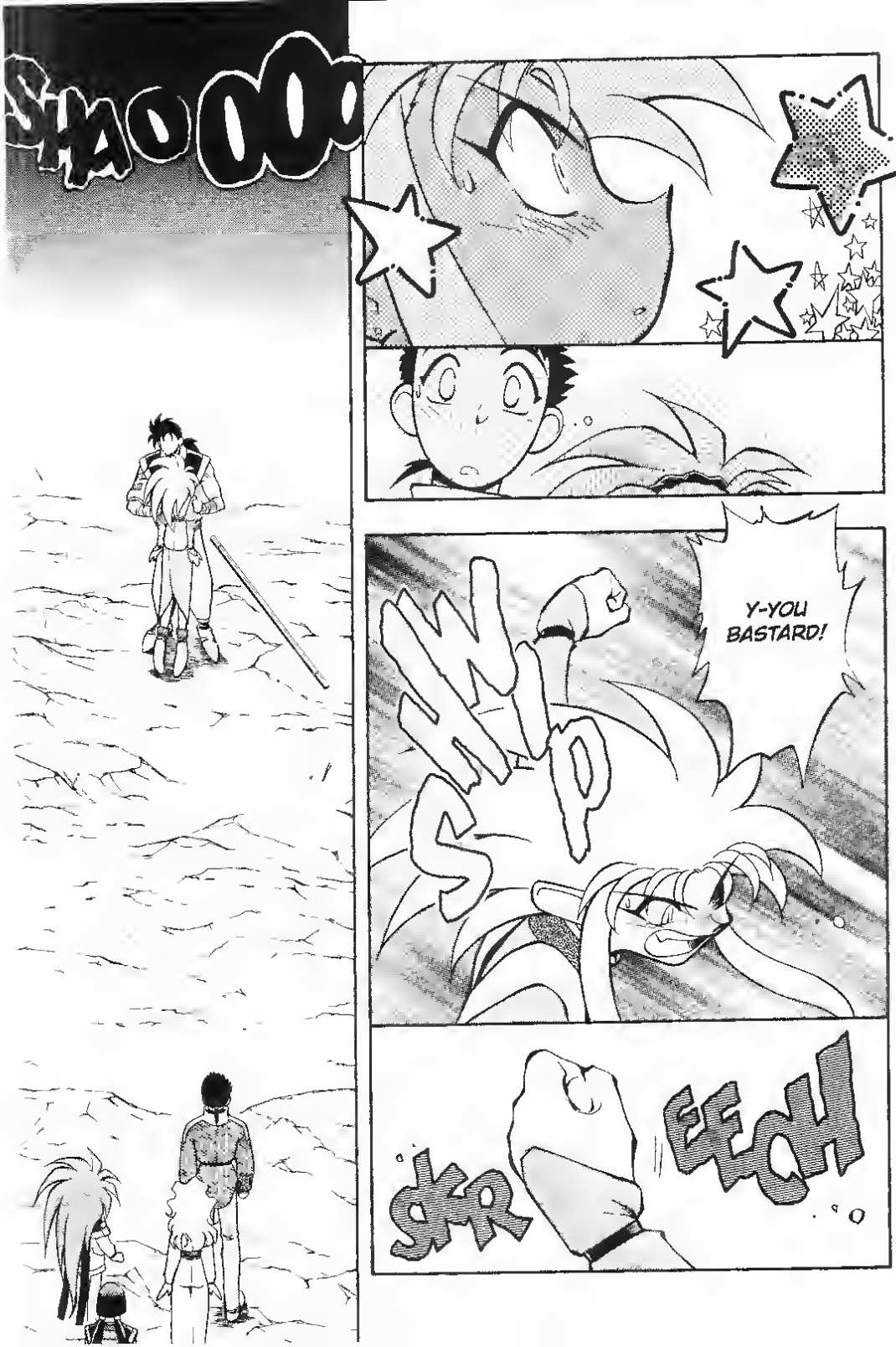
WASHU! WHAT'S GOING ON...?!
HMM...
HMM... ATMOSPHERIC COMPOSITION IS VIRTUALLY THE SAME AS EARTH'S. GOOD!
BUT WHAT A ROCKY PLANET
BA BEEP!
THAT'S RIGHT... CONTINUE OUR DESCENT, RYO-OH-KI...
RYO-KO?!
IT CALLS TO ME...
I DON'T KNOW WHO IT IS, BUT I HAVE TO FOLLOW.
SOMEONE IS LINKED WITH RYOKO!
IS IT A TRAP?! OR...
TO EXPLAIN IT SIMPLY... THERE WAS A GRAVITY SHIELD ON A LARGE SCALE... MEANING, WE HAD BEEN BLINDFOLDED!
NO WONDER THE PLANET COULDN'T BE DETECTED-- VISUALLY OR ELECTRONIC-ALLY.
...IS THERE SOMETHING MOMENTOUS WAITING BELOW?

SHA
KLANG
WH...
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
RYOKO!

SHK
SHK
SHK
SHK
THE GUY IN MY DREAM?!
SHK

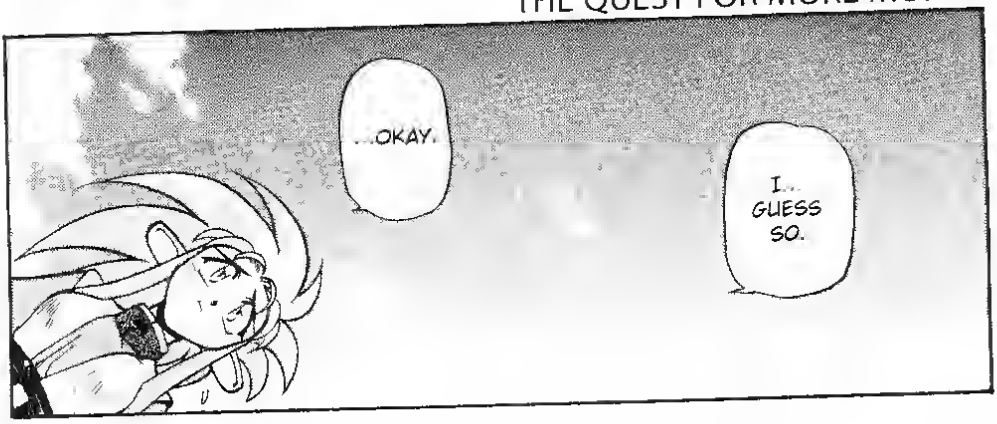
Tales of Tenchi #3: DEFIANCE

HM... WH-- WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?!
fwump
S-SO... MUST BE HIM.
HE REALLY DOES LOOK LIKE LORD TENCHI...
EXCEPT HE'S A LOT BIGGER THAN WE HEARD.
THEY ARE LOOK-ALIKES
BUT ODDER STILL...
RYOKO DIDN'T HIT HIM WITH A FIST. HMMM...


Y-YOU BASTARD!
SWISH
SKR
EECH

...IBARA!
AND WHO ARE ALL OF YOU, PLEASE?
RYOKO IS MY DAUGHTER... AND EVERYONE ELSE...WELL, JUST THINK OF US AS FAMILY.
D--DAUGHTER ?! YOU DON'T LOOK....ER, EXCUSE ME.
I--I SEE.
YOU MUST BE RYOKO'S PRECIOUS FRIENDS.

RYOKO?
HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN ME?
OH ...
UM ...
I SEE ...
IT WAS LONG AGO ...
pa-poom
TH--THAT'S NOT WHAT I...
I-IT'S JUST THAT I HAVE NO CLUE WHAT'S GOING ON...
yeek!
NICE TO MEET YOU. I'M WASHU! ♡
WOULD YOU MIND TELLING US YOUR NAME?



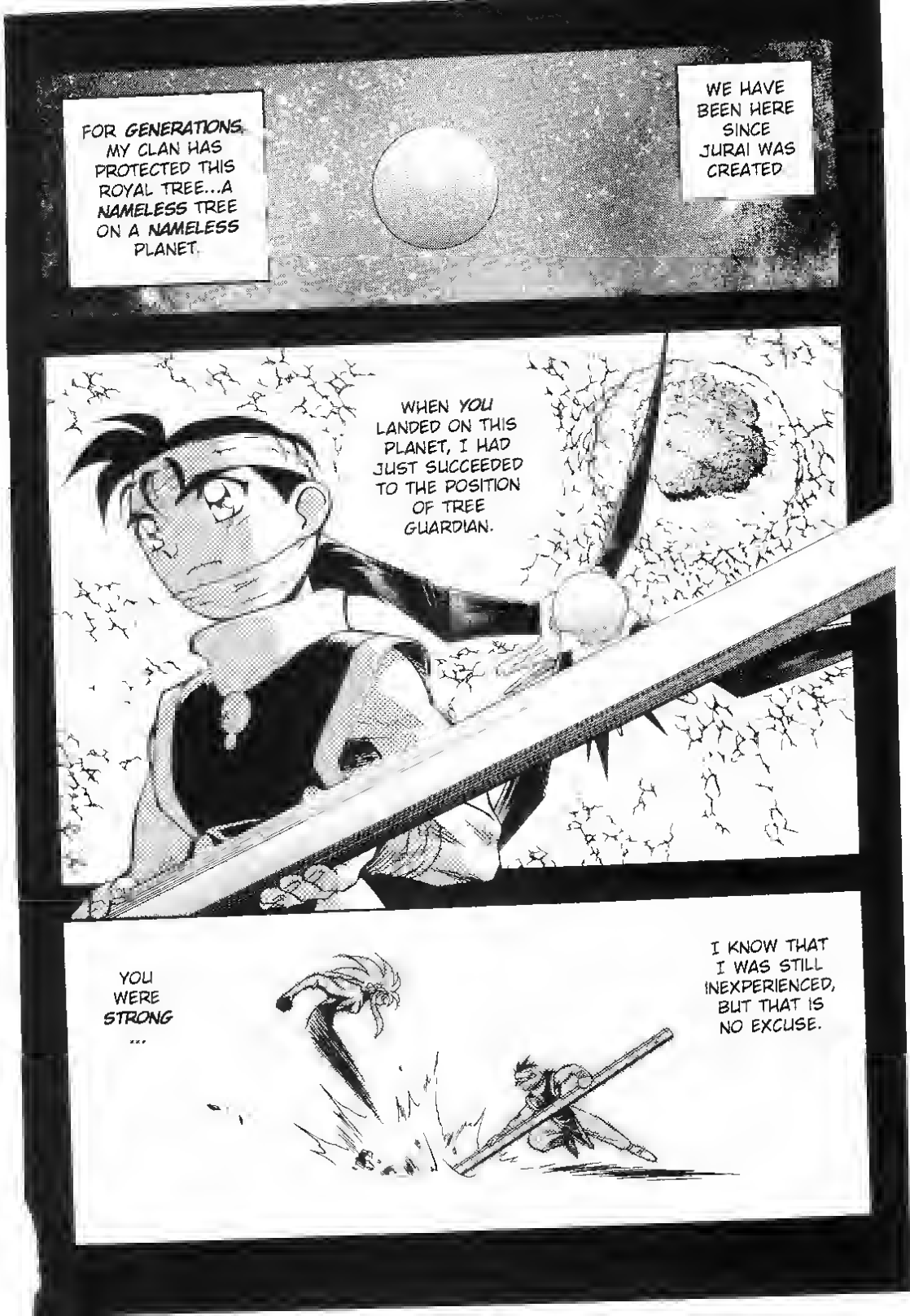
I--I SEE...

YOU WON'T STOP ME...

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN RYOKO CAME HERE 800 YEARS AGO?
I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT KNOW.
DREAMS...? W-WELL ANYWAY ...
MAYBE YOU CAN TELL US...
EXCUSE ME IF I WAS HASTY...
WHEN I SAW THE PERSON OF MY DREAMS, I COULD NOT CONTROL MYSELF.
T-- TENCHI ...
I...
I AM SORRY, BUT PERHAPS RYOKO AND I SHOULD SPEAK-- ALONE.
...IS IT OKAY... FOR ME TO GO?
OH ...
UM ...
I-I GUESS IT'S FINE.
HE MIGHT NOT TELL US ANYTHING IF YOU DON'T...

IT LOOKS A LOT LIKE A ROYAL TREE.
SHAOOOO
BUT IT'S OUTSIDE! ROYAL TREES AREN'T ALLOWED TO GROW WILD, ARE THEY?
COULD IT BE ...?!
YES! THIS COULD BE THE TREASURE THAT RYOKO FAILED TO GET 800 YEARS AGO...
BUT ROYAL TREES ONLY GROW ON JURAI AND RYUTEN! WHY IS IT IN SUCH A DESOLATE PLACE? AND SO ELABORATELY HIDDEN..
THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THIS...

IT WILL BE OKAY, SASAMI ...
YOU SEE...
IT'S A CHANCE FOR RYOKO TO GET HER MEMORY BACK.
LORD TENCHI...
I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A SORROWFUL EXPRESSION ON HIM...!
SO...
LORD TENCHI AND RYOKO...
pa pam
BY THE WAY, LADY AYEKA.
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THAT TREE?


FOR GENERATIONS, MY CLAN HAS PROTECTED THIS ROYAL TREE...A NAMELESS TREE ON A NAMELESS PLANET.
WE HAVE BEEN HERE SINCE JURAI WAS CREATED
WHEN YOU LANDED ON THIS PLANET, I HAD JUST SUCCEEDED TO THE POSITION OF TREE GUARDIAN.
YOU WERE STRONG ...
I KNOW THAT I WAS STILL INEXPERIENCED, BUT THAT IS NO EXCUSE.

SHAAOOOOO
IT...
ALL RIGHT ...I'LL TELL YOU.
Phew!
IT IS TOO BAD...
..I WOULD HAVE WANTED YOU TO REMEMBER ...
.....
PLEASE! TELL ME.
I MUST HAVE MET YOU HERE, RIGHT?!
IT'S NO USE... I CAN'T--
RYOKO ..

...YOU WERE ENVELOPED IN A DAZZLING LIGHT.
AND I...
I DO NOT KNOW HOW MUCH TIME PASSED...
BUT WHEN I AWOKE..

I...
I WAS NOT ABLE TO STOP YOU.
AND WHEN YOU TOUCHED THE TREE...

...BUT YOU HELD ME CLOSE. AND THEN YOU LEFT...
I STILL REMEMBER THE LOOK ON YOUR FACE..
I GUESS ...
...THAT'S WHAT I FORGOT ...

THERE YOU WERE.
YOU KNELT BEFORE ME, BLOOD STREAMING FROM YOUR HEAD.
TH-THAT'S... WHAT I SAW IN MY DREAM.
I DO NOT KNOW WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN YOU AND THE NAMELESS TREE...

HERE YOU ARE, AND STILL I FEEL FOR YOU.
STAY WITH ME. I WANT YOU TO STAY.
IBARA...
HE'S NOT LYING...I KNOW THAT.
BUT STILL...

HUH?
WHERE ARE YOU GOING, TENCHI?
...
HMM? OH...
IT'S BORING TO JUST SIT AND WAIT..
A LITTLE WALK WILL DO ME GOOD
.....
... LORD TENCHI ...
TMP TMP
TMP TMP
I...
...HATE MYSELF...
ALTHOUGH I HAD LOST, I FELT NO CHAGRIN... ...JUST A DEEP FONDNESS
800 YEARS HAVE PASSED ..BUT THERE WAS NOT A SINGLE DAY IN WHICH I DID NOT THINK OF YOU!

SHADOW
SSSH
....
H-HOW SHOULD I KNOW?
HOW DID IT COME TO THIS?
NO NEED TO WORRY ...
SHWUP
YOU'RE SURE ABOUT THIS, LORD IBARA? LORD TENCHI'S SWORD IS FORMIDABLE.
NOW, YOU TWO--IT'S ONLY A GAME, NOT A DEATH MATCH, OKAY?

WH..
TENCHI?!
HUH?
OH.
I-I'M SORRY.
OOPS... HOW DID I WIND UP HERE?!
.....
SHK
YOU ARE LORD TENCHI, CORRECT?
WHAT?
HOW ABOUT IT..?
COULD I HAVE A BOUT WITH YOU?

SWANG
H-HE'S STRONG!
SCHWIN
HAVE TO THINK FAST!
SKANG
SKAT
WHAT?!
WHY, YOUNG PRINCE?
TANG

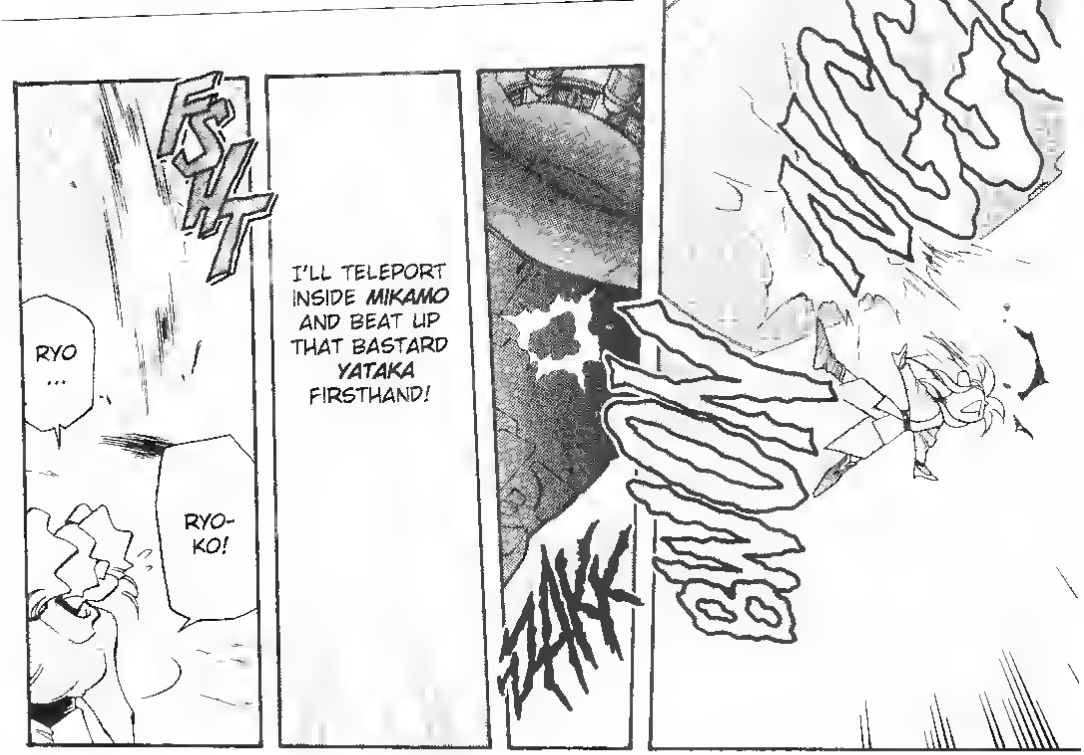
HERE I COME!
WHOA ...
!!

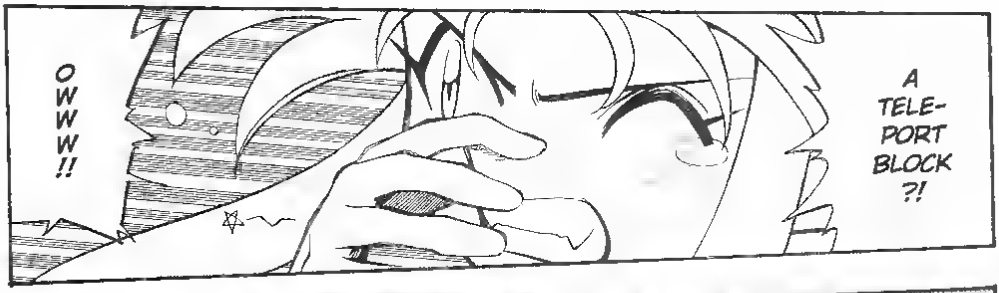
KEEEEE!!
SHINOBU
MREE MYOW MROW MYOW!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
TH-THIS DISTORTION ...!
A TRANS-PORTER ?!
WE ESCAPE!

HUH?
SHAK
A WOMAN OF SUCH RARE VALUE--
SHFF
SHF
SHFF
--WHY DO YOU MAKE HER WAIT?!
WHY ?!
!!
RYOKO ...
HE'S RIGHT...! RYOKO OPENED HER HEART TO ME WITHOUT RESERVATION!
AND I NEVER DID ANYTHING FOR HER!

HA, HA, HA, HA, HA!
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING!
LORD YATAKA HAS ARRIVED!

Tales of Tenchi #4: DURESS


FSHT
RYO ...
RYO-KO!
I'LL TELEPORT INSIDE MIKAMO AND BEAT UP THAT BASTARD YATAKA FIRSTHAND!
ZAKK

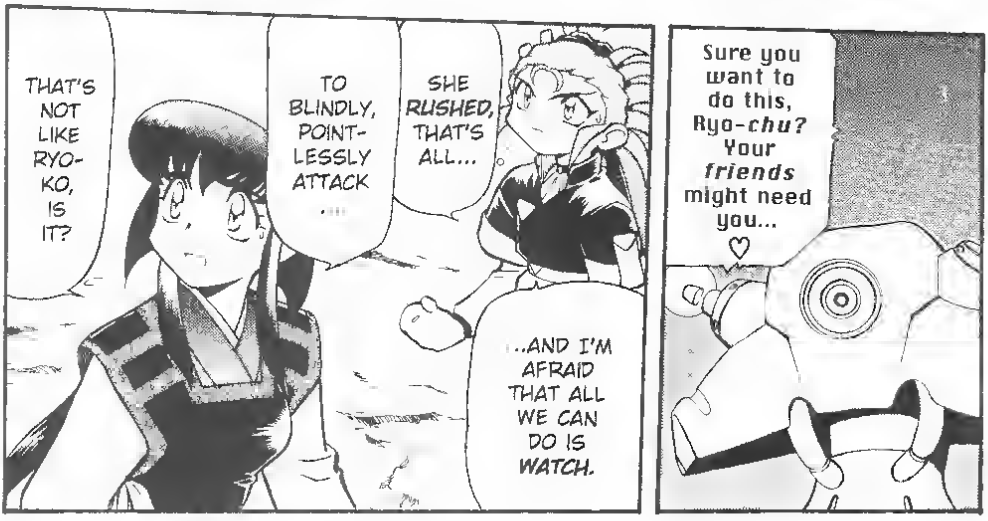

OWWW!!
A TELE-PORT BLOCK ?!

HEH, HEH-- FIGURED YOU'D DO THAT.
MIKAMO, PROCEED AS, LIKE, PLANNED.
Leave it to me. Chu!

IDIOTS!
mmmmmmmm
CARELESS OF YOU NOT TO NOTICE THE TRANSMITTER WE PLANTED ON YOU. GUESS YOU LIKE ME AFTER ALL! ♡
IT'S NICE TO HAVE FRIENDS-- SO WE'LL KILL YOU QUICK!
SLP
LEAST I CAN DO!
HOW DO I HANDLE THIS? IT'D BE EASY TO JUST BLAST THEM AWAY WITH RYO-OH-KI...
...BUT THE OTHERS MIGHT GET HURT IN THE AFTERMATH!
AHA!

!
I think they need you NOW! ♡
NO! DON'T !!
VRAAAAN
Oh, but I *must*.
CHU! ♡
tee hee
BRA TTA
BRATTA
BRATTA
TENCHI!
TUP TUP TUP
THUP THUP
AIEEE!!

DAMN YOU, YATAKA!
GWOK
BOK


THAT'S NOT LIKE RYO-KO, IS IT?
TO BLINDLY, POINT-LESSLY ATTACK...
SHE *RUSHED*, THAT'S ALL...
...AND I'M AFRAID THAT ALL WE CAN DO IS *WATCH*.
Sure you want to do this, Ryo-*chu*? Your ***friends*** might need you... ♡

HEH, HEH, HEH, HEH, HEH..!
SHEEEE
Tup Tup Tup Tup Tup
A ROYAL TREE... NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL A TREASURE!
WHILE MIKAMO IS, LIKE, DIVERTING THEM, I'LL JUST SET THE EXPLOSIVES.
And then we'll leisurely carry off the treasure! Ayoko will be mortified...
Chu, chu, chu! It's the perfect plan. ♡
HAAH! I'M A GENIUS --YES, I AM!
SHWK
HMM?

RMB
TENCHI!
RMB
RMB
RMB
RMB
OH! L-LORD TENCHI ... ♡
TENCHI ...!
BAM
ARGHH!!
But I'm not done with you yet!
BAM
You're pretty chu good, I admit.
tee hee

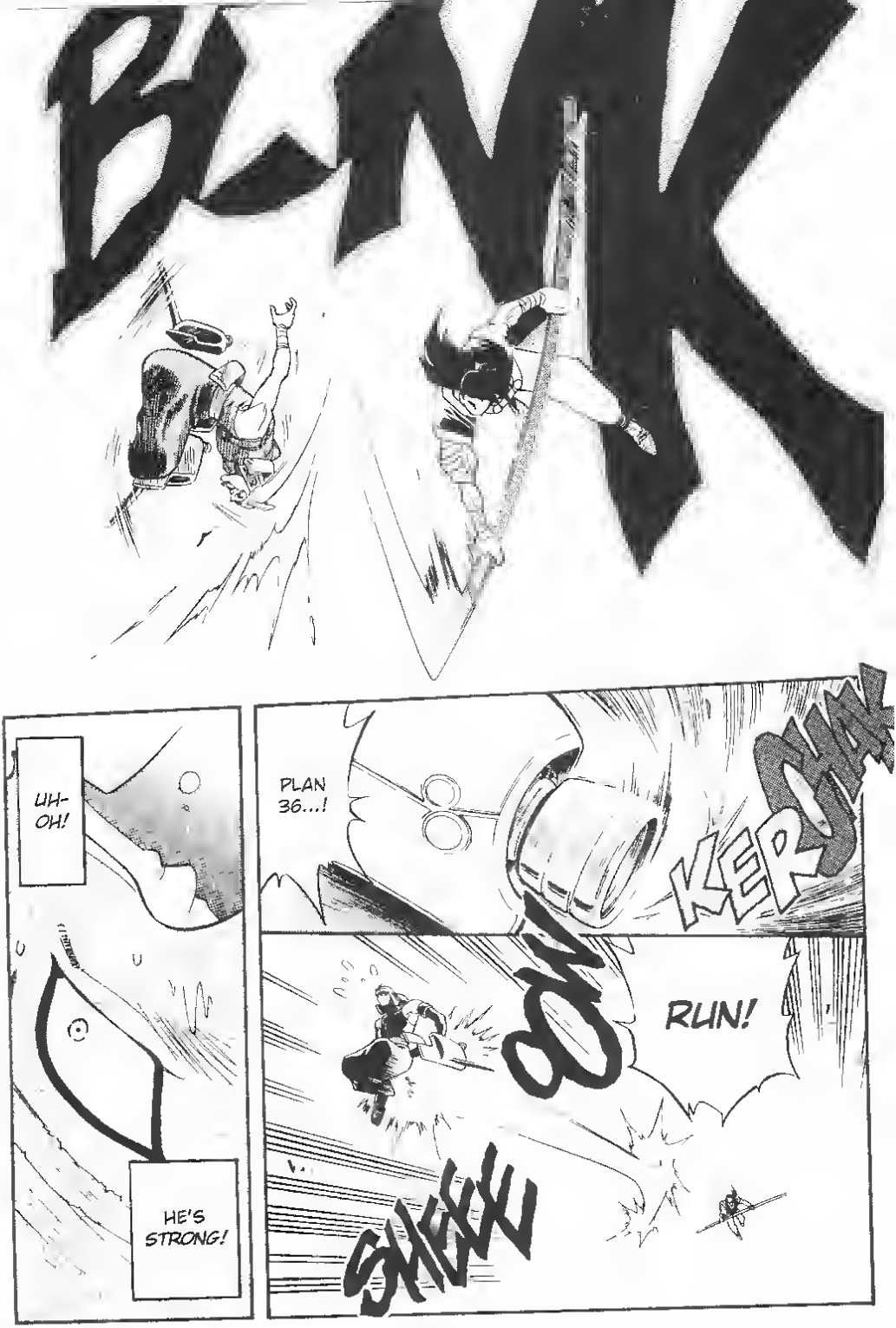
SHWRRR
SHI!
KRLEAK
VVWRRR
N...
NO WAY.
.....
WOW.
SCHUK
KRAK

SO! IT SEEMS YOU WERE AFTER THIS ROYAL TREE AFTER ALL...
BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO GET THROUGH ME FIRST!
FIGHTING WITH THAT PIECE OF STICK, ARE YOU?
THEN DIE A FOOL'S DEATH!
SHOOM

WELL ...
YOU DO SOME GOOD STUFF.
BUT IT WON'T WORK AGAINST M--
HUH?
WH ...
WHERE IS HE?!
!!

WH-
WHAT
?!
!!

FWSSH
I FEAR HE WILL BE BACK...
HE...
HE'S PRETTY GOOD...
heh!
MY, MY, RYO-KO!
LORD IBARA MUST REALLY ADMIRE YOU.
HIS ATTACK PATTERN IS AWFULLY SIMILAR TO YOURS.
BLUSH
HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT!?
MAKE FUN OF MY WORRIES!
GRRRR
I-I CAN'T BREATHE
H-HEY, YOU GUYS
BOM
BOM
COULD I GET A HAND HERE?!
BOM


B-WK
UH-OH!
HE'S STRONG!
PLAN 36...!
KER-CHK
RUN!
SKREE
GON

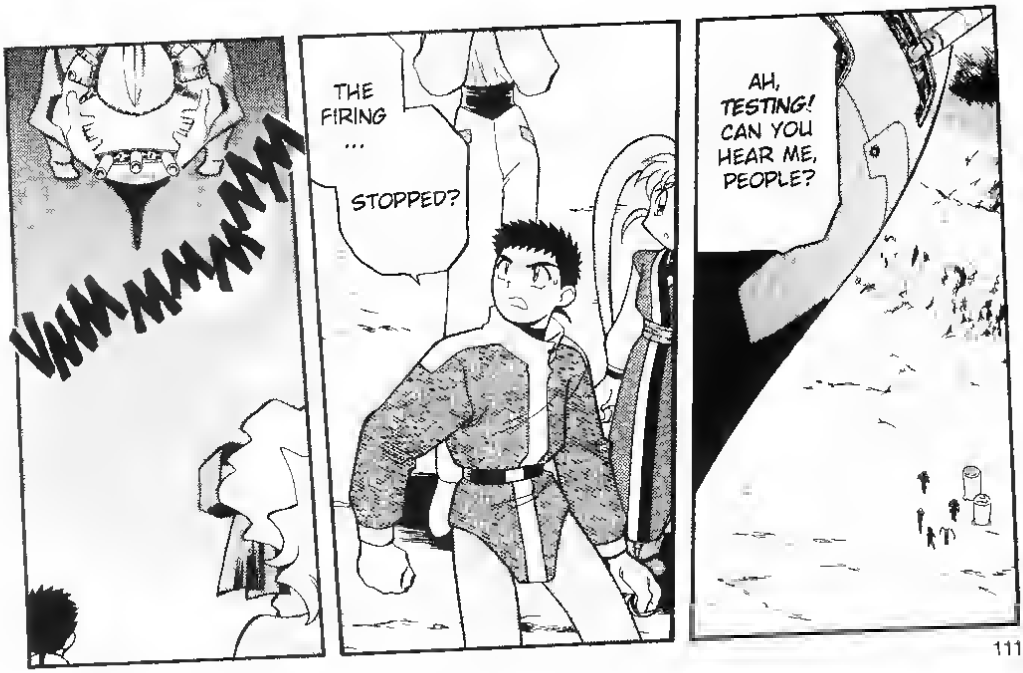
SHWP
Your *hearts* are easy to fool!
SHWRASH
Now *come*, Princess Ayeka! Our ship awaits you!
LADY AYEKA! BACK INSIDE THE BARRIER! QUICK!
Come into the shadows! Chu!
SHADOO
YEEK ...!
AYEKA!
AYEKA!
SHWOOP
DAMN!

RYOKO! LEAVE WASHU ALONE!
PRINCESS! PLEASE TRY TO STAY IN THE CENTER OF THE BARRIER.
OH! A-- AYEKA ...
H-- HELP ME!
KOFF
SASAMI!
PRINCESS! YOU MUSTN'T GO OUTSIDE THE BARRIER!
POP!
AYEKA?
HUH?
heh!
YOU ...!
YOU'RE NOT SASAMI!
WHAT?
THEN WHO ARE YOU?!
tee hee hee
Thanks for stepping outside the shield for me! So nice! Chu!
That's what I like about you humans!

WASHU!!
DON'T GET MAD.
I ANALYZED THAT SHADOW FIELD. IF YOU'D GRABBED HER AND PULLED, LADY AYEKA WOULD'VE BEEN RIPPED IN TWO!
UNH...
DAMMIT!!
VEEE
EEE OO OW

WHAM
UNGH!
KLOONK
SHAKKA WAKKA
WHA ...?
WH-- WHAT WAS THAT FOR?!

YOU TRICKED THEM! Y-YOU'RE SUCH A BASTARD...!
GRRK
Wh-- what's the matter? Are you saying...
...You don't approve of a little foul play?
GOOD JOB. ♡
I'M PROUD OF YOU. ♡
pat pat
.....


VAMM MMMMMMM
THE FIRING ... STOPPED?
AH, TESTING! CAN YOU HEAR ME, PEOPLE?

Jump
PHEW...! TALK ABOUT A MISCAL-CULATION.
Since you came back chu I guess you failed.
SHUT UP!
HM?
Y-- YOU ...
WHY, TH-- THIS IS...
We have chu be pre-pared! ♡

S-SO, LIKE, WE'LL BE BACK. OKAY?
VRM
VRM
!
...You know what'll happen. Right, Ryoko? ♡
If you do ...
VRM
VRM
OH, NO! A-- AYEKA ...

WE HAVE PRINCESS AYEKA YESSIREE!
WE COULD TRADE HER FOR THAT TREE...
heh heh
Yataka! Yataka!
WHAT NOW?
Let's give them, oh, three hours to chu about it.
!
UPK
Y-YOU WOULDN'T BE...
...WANTING TO INDULGE IN THOSE SICK HOBBIES OF YOURS?!
WE CAN HEAR YOU KNOW...
WHAT ARE THEY TALKING ABOUT?
Hey! I'm the one that got her! Besides, you know who holds the power of life and death on this ship, don't you?
A-ALL RIGHT ...ALL RIGHT!
A-AHEM! SO THAT'S THE STORY I'LL GIVE YOU, LIKE, THREE HOURS!
And don't try to come after us.
!

H-HEY! I TOLD YOU-- ANYTHING BUT THAT!
Don't be a fool! I wouldn't harm the *prize*.
I-I SEE...
THEN WHY ARE WE WAITING THREE HOURS?
To increase their *irritation*, of course. To increase it a *lot*...
heh heh heh
Yataka takes as many *things* as he wants...
...and Mikamo will enjoy its little hobbies!!
That was the deal, right? Or are you going back on your promise...?
OKAY...
OKAY!
I WON'T BUTT IN ANY-MORE.
That's my trusted partner.
heh heh heh
My fun begins *after* we obtain the Royal Tree.
!
TH-THAT'S NOT COOL! WE'LL HAVE THE JURAI ROYAL FAMILY AS AN *ENEMY*...
UNH!
YNG

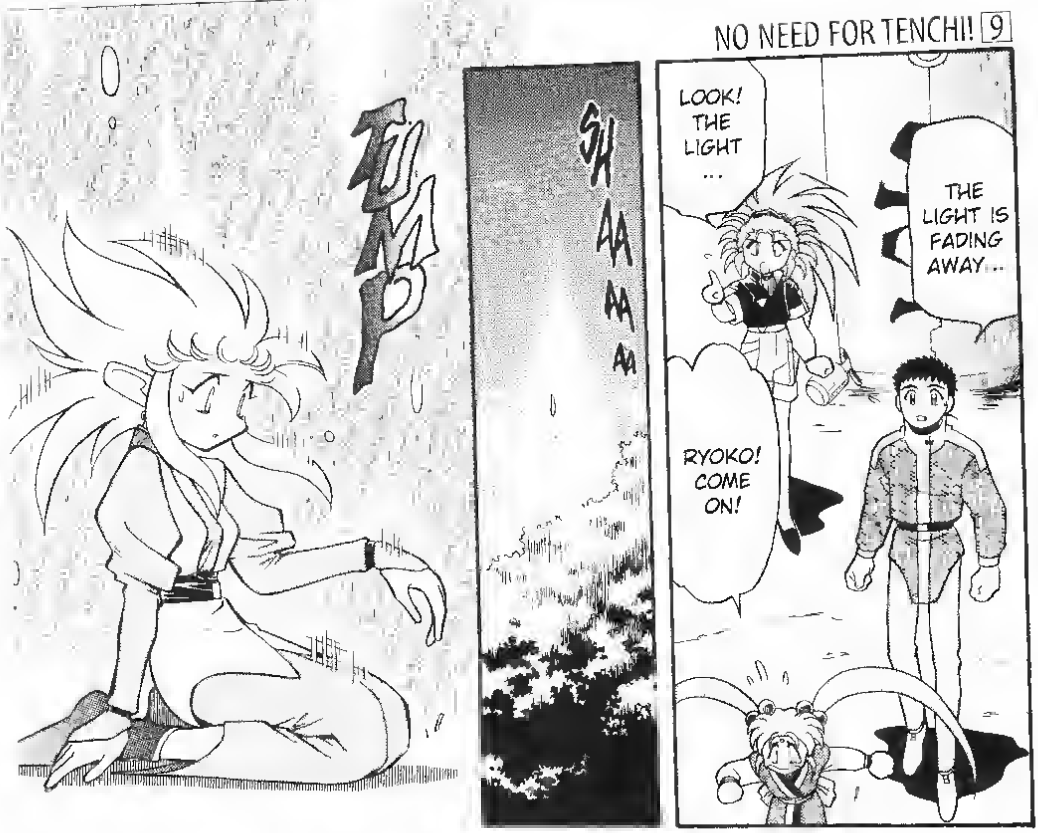
RYO-CHAN, TRANS-FORM!
MYA MREOW !!
WAIT! YOU MUSTN'T GO AFTER THEM!
?!
RYOKO ...
Urk!
WE COULD GET HER BACK RIGHT NOW, IF IT WAS JUST THAT MORON YATAKA...
...BUT NOT WITH MIKAMO. IT'S TOO DANGEROUS ...
IF IT SAYS IT'LL KILL, IT WILL! AND IT'LL ENJOY IT, TOO ..
grkk
I KNOW IT'S FRUSTRATING, BUT WE HAVE TO WAIT FOR THEM TO COME BACK...
Z-Z-Z-Z-Z-Z
Ah, little lady... you're very cute! ♡
So cute that I want to chu you ...

WHO IS IT?!
WHO CALLED ME?!
!
RYO-KO?
FSUSHT

I AM SORRY ...
IT SEEMS I GOT YOU INVOLVED IN MY BATTLE.
N-- NOT AT ALL.
Y-- YEAH.
IT'S OUR FAULT. WE SHOULDN'T HAVE COME HERE.
BUT THOSE PEOPLE-- THEY'RE REALLY SCARY, AREN'T THEY?
DO YOU THINK AYEKA WILL BE ALL RIGHT...?
WELL ...

RYOKO!

.....
THE NAMELESS TREE. I THOUGHT SO...WHAT IS IT?
YOU WANT ME TO HOLD UP MY HAND?
BUT ...
NO! I'LL DO WHAT I HAVE TO DO!
I DID THE SAME THING 800 YEARS AGO, AND...
AH!
THE TREE!
GYOM


ZUB
SHAAAAAA
LOOK! THE LIGHT ...
THE LIGHT IS FADING AWAY...
RYOKO! COME ON!

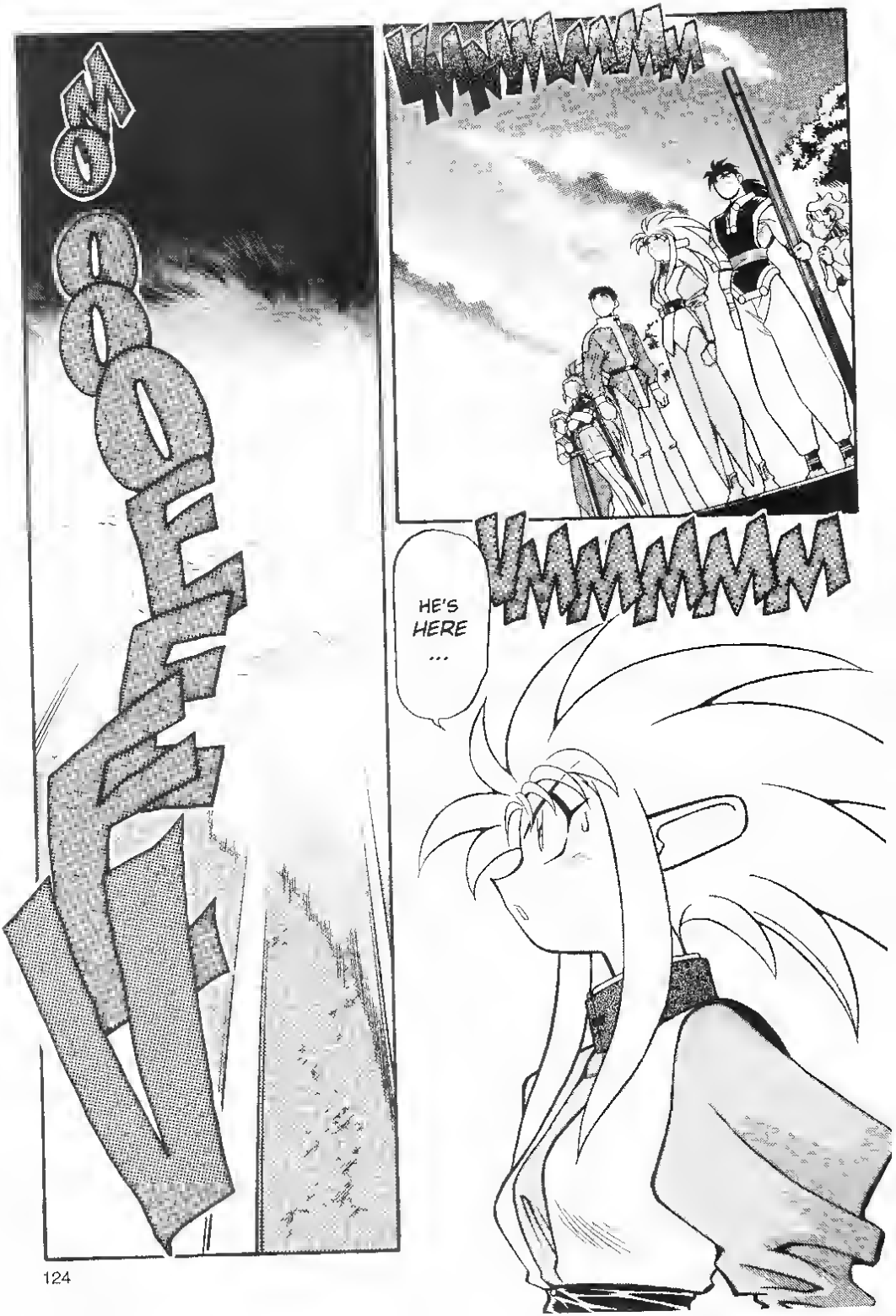
IT SEEMS ...SHE SAW.
!

I...
I SEE ...!
YOU WANTED ME TO SEE THIS!
!!

RYOKO? ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
HMM? YEAH ...
IT'S OKAY, SASAMI ...
BUT IS IT TRUE ?
I HAVE TO TRUST IT...
?
RYOKO...
IT'S OKAY ...
IT SHOULD BE OKAY...

Tales of Tenchi #5: UNITY

Ahem! Now then, listen up!
Your three hours are up! We want the Royal Chu Tree.
H--HE'S TAKEN OVER.
AYEKA HAD BETTER BE ALL RIGHT!


OOOFF
VWWWWWM
VWWWWWM
HE'S HERE ...

OKAY, AZAKA AND KAMIDAKE! YOU'VE BEEN GONE AWHILE-- READY FOR ACTION? ♡
AS YOU WISH!
AS YOU WISH!
VM VM VM VM
PRO-CEED-ING.
FSSH
MIKAMO'S TELEPORT BLOCK KEPT ME OUT THE LAST TIME...
HOLD POSI-TION!
RIGHT!
THAT'S WHERE THEY'RE UNPRE-PARED!
ALL RIGHT! NOW!

Of course. Shall we get on with the exchange?
DO YOU THINK HE'LL KEEP HIS BARGAIN?
YATAKA, MAYBE, BUT I DON'T TRUST MIKAMO.
ONCE HE HAS THE TREE, HE MIGHT JUST CUT HER UP.
WHAT?!
AYEKA!
LET HER BE OKAY!
IT'LL BE FINE!
JUST LEAVE IT TO ME! ♡
RYOKO ...

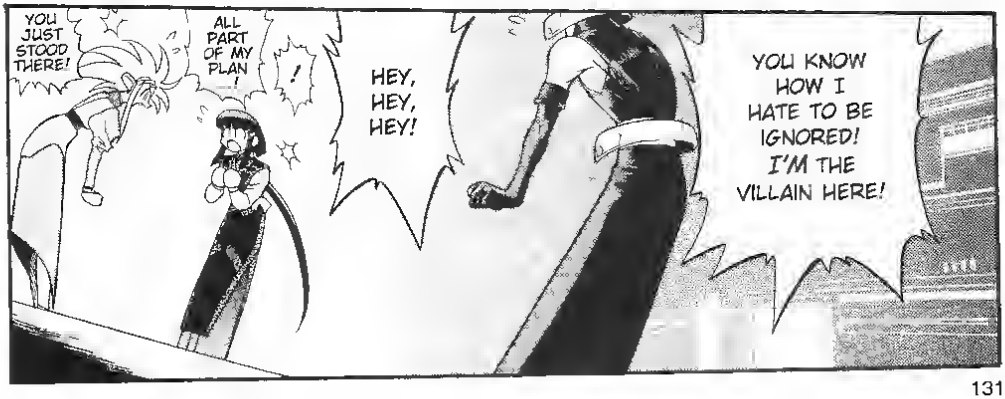
ZIAK
NEU-
TRA-
LIZE
IT!
(NICE SCREENTONE, HUH?)
GLAA?!
RMB
RMB
RMB
RMB
Wh-
what's
going
on?!
SH-
SHE
DID
IT!
aha
haha
NICE
GOING,
ME! ♡

DEPLOY NEUTRALIZATION SCREEN!
WOOOOM
RIGHT!
THE CONTACT DATA THAT RYOKO GOT LAST TIME CAME IN HANDY.
HUH?
AS LONG AS WE KNOW THE SHIELD COMPOSITION...
SKA
TAK
IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO...

RYOKO!!
GEEZ, AYEKA! GET KIDNAPPED AGAIN, WHY DON'T YOU?
SLEEK
GR
I NEVER ASKED FOR YOUR HELP!

WHAT?! IS THAT WHAT YOU SAY TO SOMEONE WHO JUST SAVED YOUR LIFE?!
I COULD HAVE EASILY BROKEN MY BINDINGS ONCE I GOT SERIOUS ABOUT IT!

A BIG LIE


YOU JUST STOOD THERE!
ALL PART OF MY PLAN!
!
HEY, HEY, HEY!
YOU KNOW HOW I HATE TO BE IGNORED! I'M THE VILLAIN HERE!

Wh-what...? My per-chu shield was br-broken? Chu!
ba
!
You bastard!
YOU ...
HA!
YOU CALL THIS A PERFECT SHIELD?
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH!

POOF
Ha, ha ha! Those silly hussies!
haha
How does it feel being burnt to cinders?
Guess you can't answer if you're dead!
H--HEY...YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO, LIKE, KILL THEM...
Shut your trap! Chu!
ZING
YAA!?
I'm getting tired of babysitting poser criminals.
H--HEY, ARE YOU... ARE YOU SERIOUS?! I THOUGHT YOU LIKED ME!

RRR
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
RRR
URK
Here we go!
CRANK
FOOK
CLANK
SKRRZZT
SKRRZZ

AYEKA!
RYOKO!
MIKAMO'S GOTTEN SENILE, TRYING TO KILL ME WITH SUCH A PIDDLY LITTLE IMPLOSION.
THAT'S TRUE! RYOKO IS BUILT USELESSLY TOUGH...
DELICATE OL' ME ALMOST DIED.

tee-hee
Adios, Yataka.
You always were a *useless* partner.
AHEE!
Chu?!
!
KA

I'll kill you!
VROOOO
WHA ...?!
!!

LIAR! A HUMAN WOULD'VE BEEN BLOWN TO BITS.
YOU'RE AS HARDY AS A COCK-ROACH.
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
..... BACK TO THEIR OLD WAYS.
THEY LOOK LIKE THEY'RE HAVING FUN! ♡
RYOKO...
C'MON, AYEKA!
I'M GLAD!
RYOKO'S FULL OF ENERGY AGAIN... AS SHE SHOULD BE.
HOW ...
Katunk
how...? dare...? they...?

OH, NO...!
THE NAMELESS TREE...!
LORD TENCHI!
KABOOM
HOLD ON FOR A WHILE!
IBARA!
DAMN, THAT MACHINE'S STILL ALIVE!
LORD TENCHI!
Die, die, die, die, die, chu!

UNGH!!
FWSHOOOOK
!!

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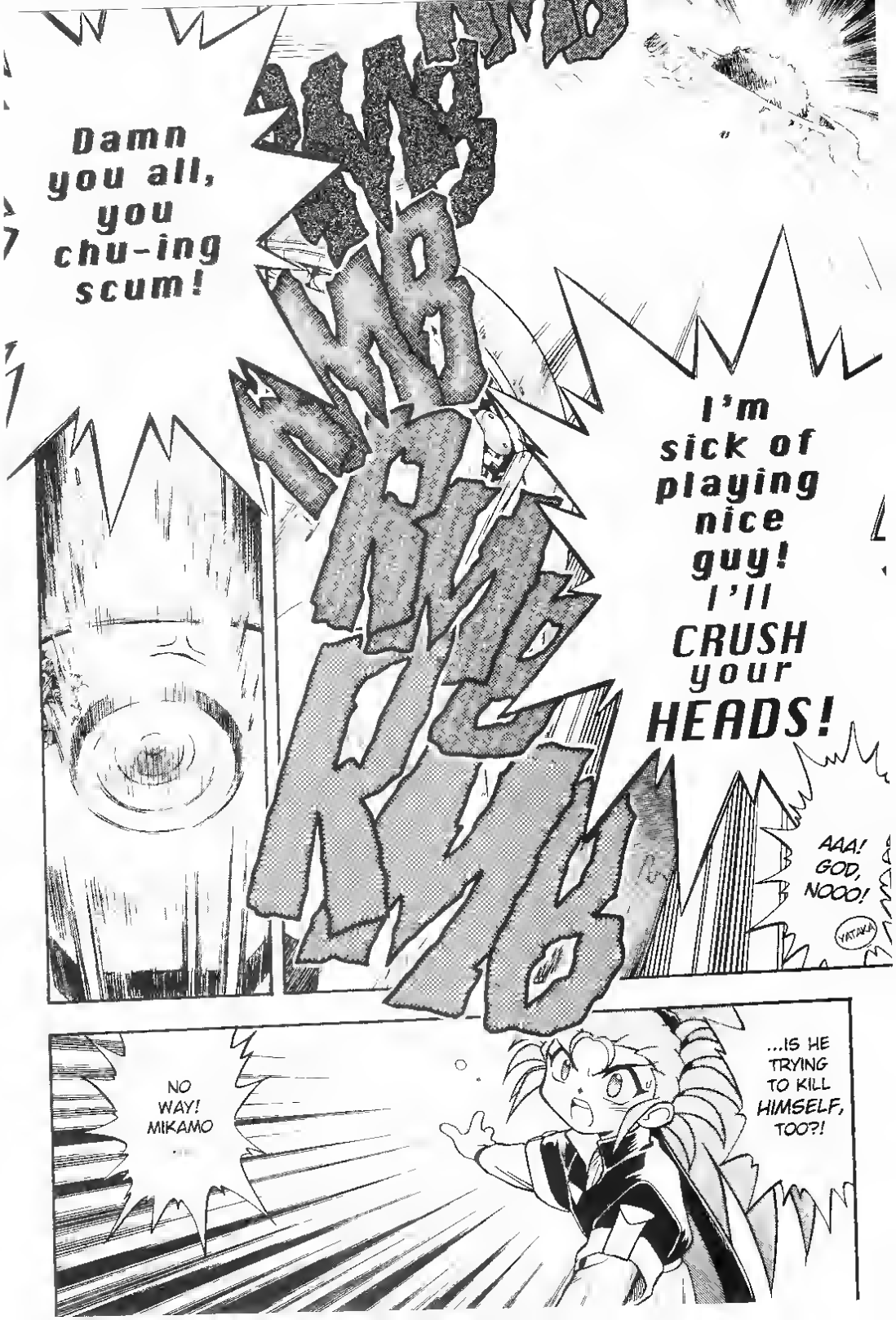

Damn you all, you chu-ing scum!
I'm sick of playing nice guy! I'll CRUSH your HEADS!
AAA! GOD, NOOO!
YATAKA
NO WAY! MIKAMO
...IS HE TRYING TO KILL HIMSELF, TOO?!

KWAAAAAAAAM
WOOMSH
YOW!
KILLED THEIR FIRE-POWER.
THAT JUST ABOUT DOES IT...
UNH ...
GRRR
RRR
RRR
SKRUK

I'LL BE FINE!
I HEARD THE TREE'S VOICE...
LORD TENCHI ...!
?!
GWOM
TENCHI!!
H-- HOW DARE YOU! LET ME GO!
I COM-MAND YOU!
IBARA IS ALSO FROM JURA!
FOR-GIVE ME, LADY AYEKA ...
BUT THIS IS WHAT THE NAMELESS TREE WISHED.
BELIEVE ME, THEY WILL BE ALL RIGHT.

EEEE
THAT VOICE...
THE TREE....!!
LORD TENCHI!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
DON'T MIND ME-- JUST RUN!
WHA...
TENCHI!!
EEEN

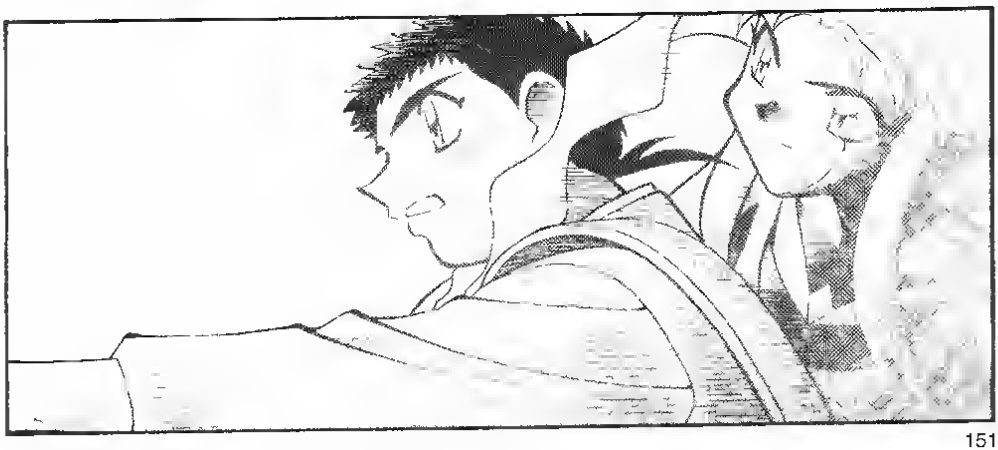
heh
YEAH...
THIS BATTLE ENDS HERE!
RIGHT ON!

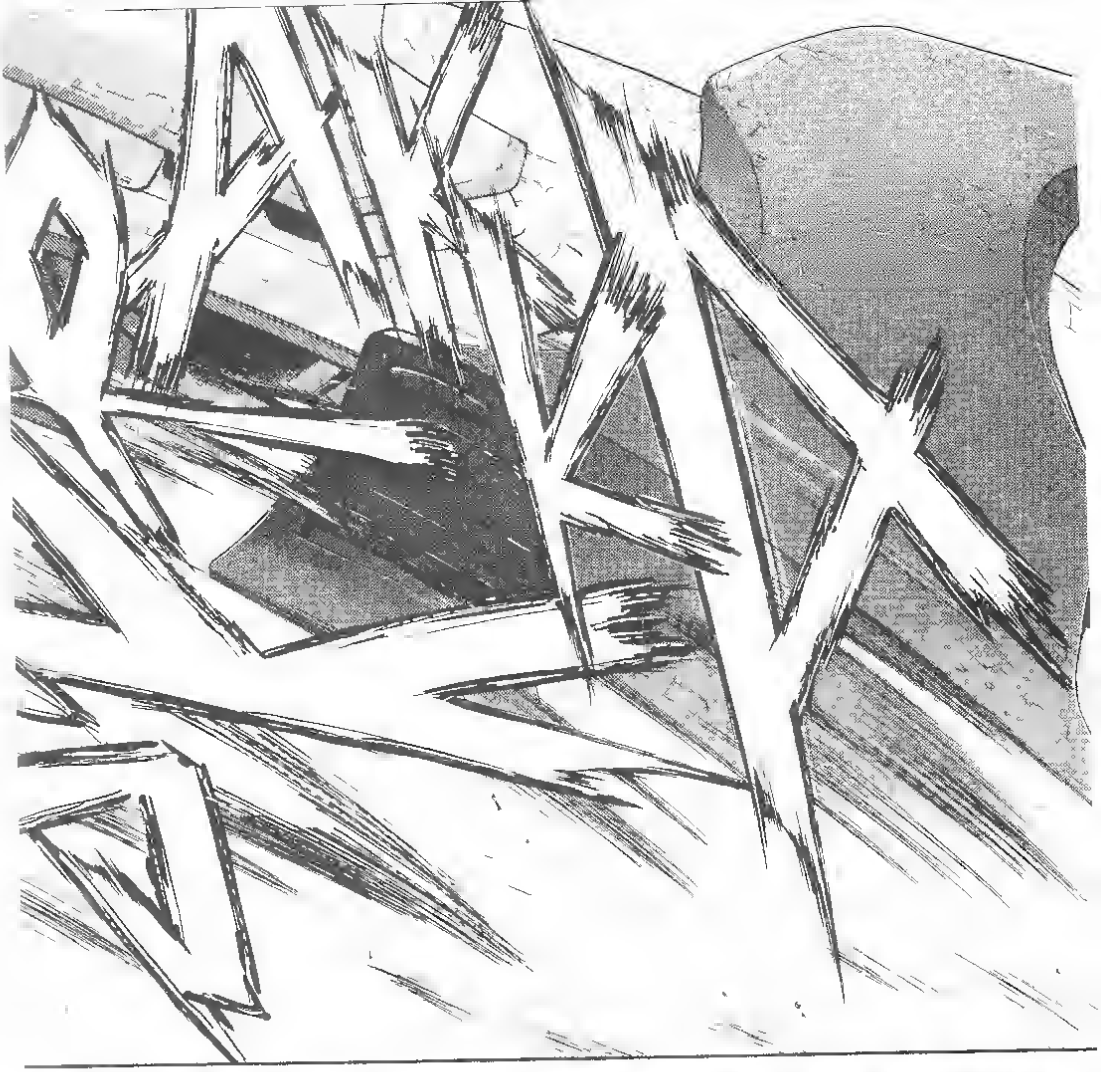
YOU HEARD THE VOICE, RYOKO..?
YEAH...
IT'S OKAY, WE CAN DO IT.
RIGHT, TENCHI..?

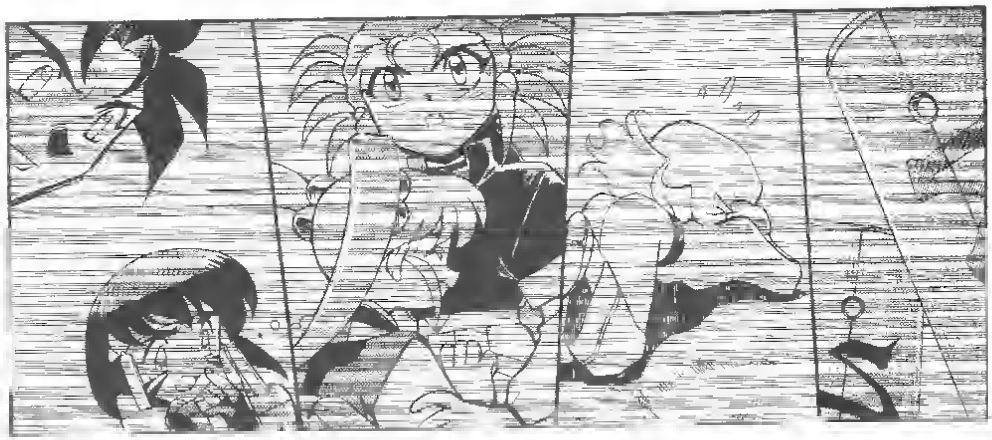
MAG-
NIFI-
CENT!
Dieee!!
NOOO! I DON'T WANNA DIE!
SUCH BRILLIANCE! IS THAT WHAT THEY DO TOGETHER...?
THE POWER FROM THE JEWELS* MUST HAVE BEEN DIRECTED INTO THE LIGHT HAWK WINGS!
*THE THREE JEWELS WHICH POWER RYOKO (REMEMBER THE OAV SERIES?)

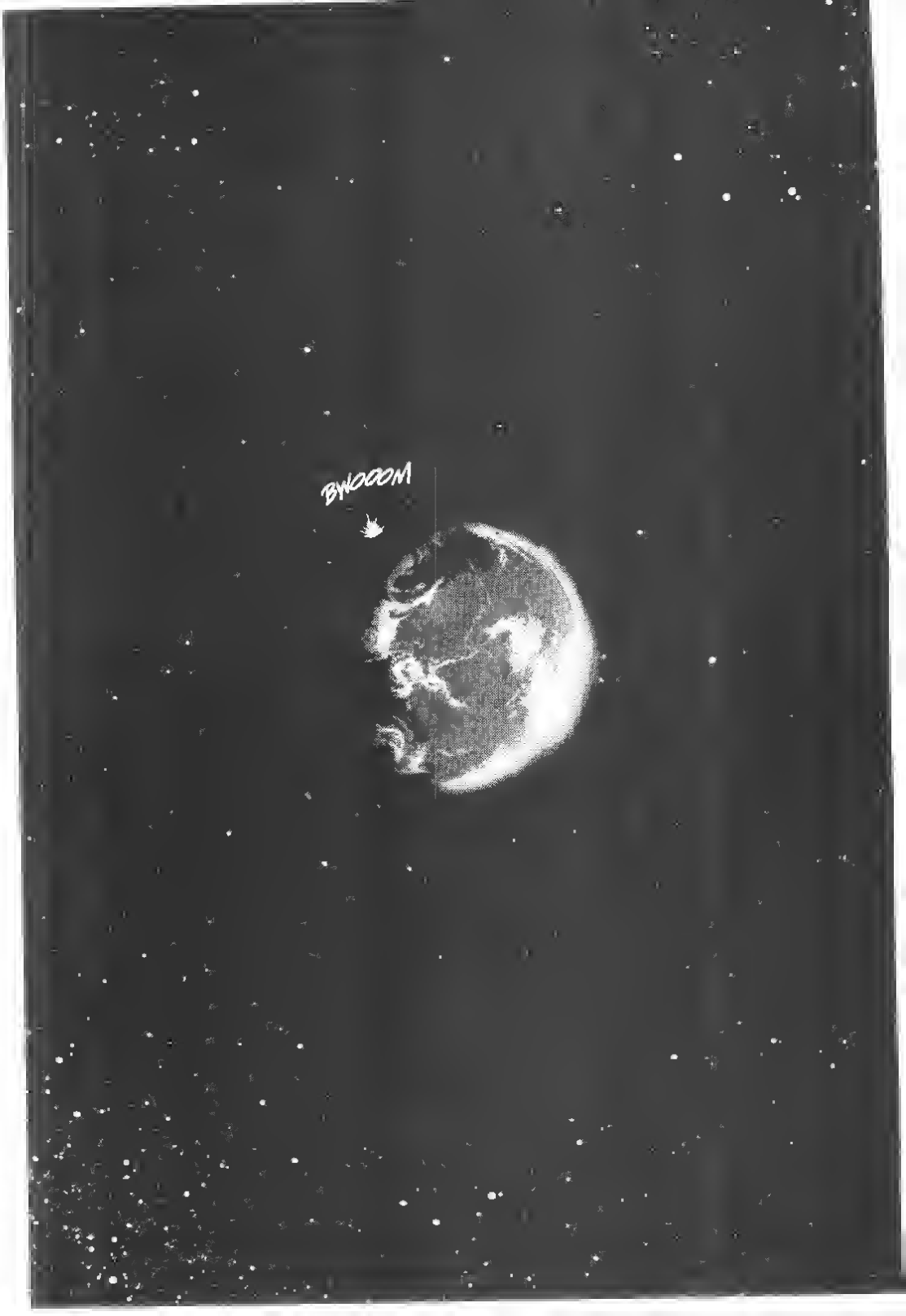
HAN

BL








BWOOOM

Tales of Tenchi #6:
IN THE SPOTLIGHT

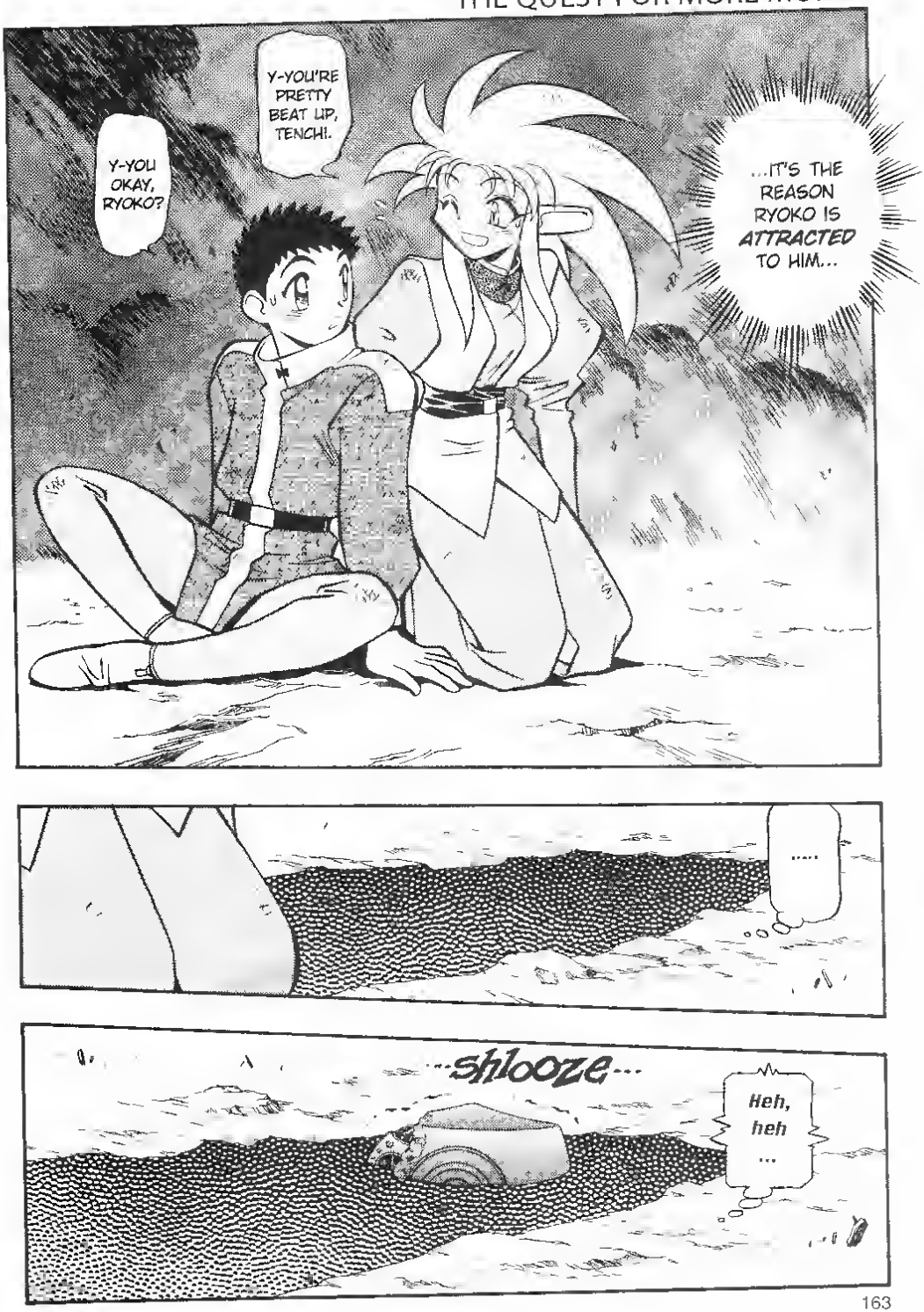
It *can't* be! This isn't possible! A power that could stop this much mass-- it doesn't...
C-- could it be?
Th-- they're shrouded in a mystical veil...
The Light Hawk Wings ?!
SKRK
SKAKTAK
SKSSSHH
LORD TENCHI ...
.....

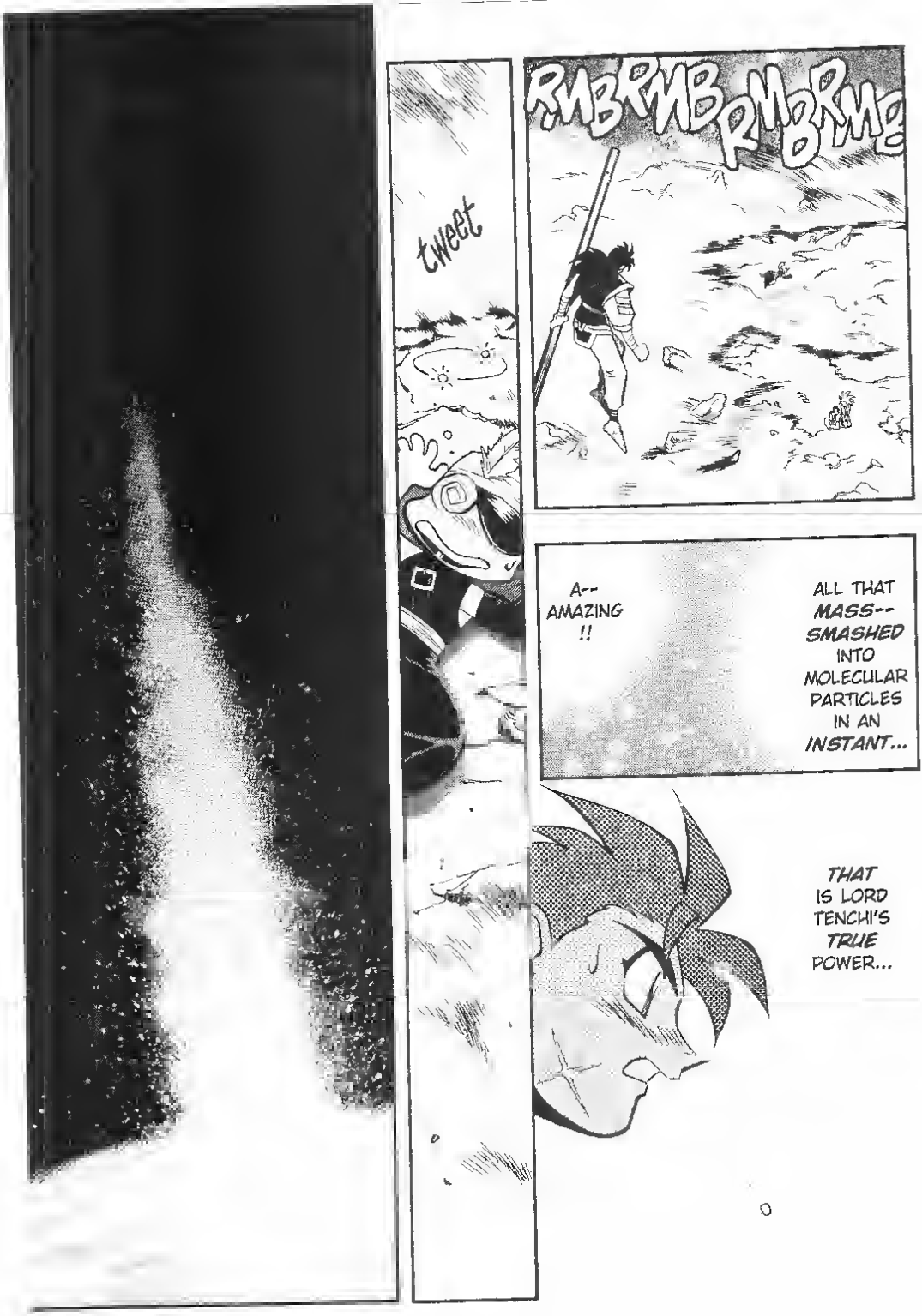
SAMA!
No!!
What the chu?!
KA-BOOM

IT'S USELESS TO FIGHT ANY LONGER... LET'S STOP IT!
TENCHI ...
LORD TENCHI... YOU'RE SO...
RAB RAB RAB RAB
.....
!!
8 SECONDS TO DESTRUCTION
TO THINK THAT HE CAN SHOW COMPASSION AT A TIME LIKE THIS...

F-fine-- take me down! But I'll drag you to hell with me!
20 SECONDS TO DETONATION
sob sob
COME ON-- LET'S STOP.
THEY'LL SPARE OUR LIVES...
I HOPE ...!
Shut the chu up!
Whish
You really piss me off!
REEEEEEEE
Eep!
KO
Tank
Stish
Stish
You're only a pawn, you hear!
MIKAMO, THAT'S ENOUGH!
Chu?!

GR
RR
RRR
Wha ...
eep!
That's it! You're going to hell! I'll blow you to bits-- along with the rest of this planet!
You dare show ME mercy?!
0 SECONDS TO DETONATION
TOK


Y-YOU'RE PRETTY BEAT UP, TENCHI.
Y-YOU OKAY, RYOKO?
...IT'S THE REASON RYOKO IS ATTRACTED TO HIM...
.....
...shlooze...
Heh, heh ...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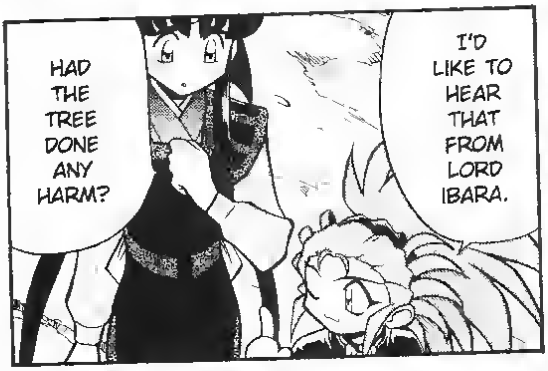
RMBRMB RMBRMB
A-- AMAZING !!
ALL THAT MASS-- SMASHED INTO MOLECULAR PARTICLES IN AN INSTANT...
THAT IS LORD TENCHI'S TRUE POWER...

BWAM
IT'S ALL OVER...
THIS TIME FOR SURE...
NAY!
NOW IT BEGINS ...
!
THE NAMELESS TREE STILL HAS STORIES TO TELL.
THAT'S RIGHT ...

SOME GUYS JUST DON'T KNOW WHEN TO QUIT.
Die!!
SOK
Ei!

THIS ROYAL TREE WAS AN "OUTCAST CHILD," BORN AT THE DAWN OF THE JURAI DYNASTY.
THE JURAI KING TOOK PITY ON IT, AND RATHER THAN DESTROY THE NAMELESS TREE, HE HAD IT SENT TO THIS NAMELESS PLANET.

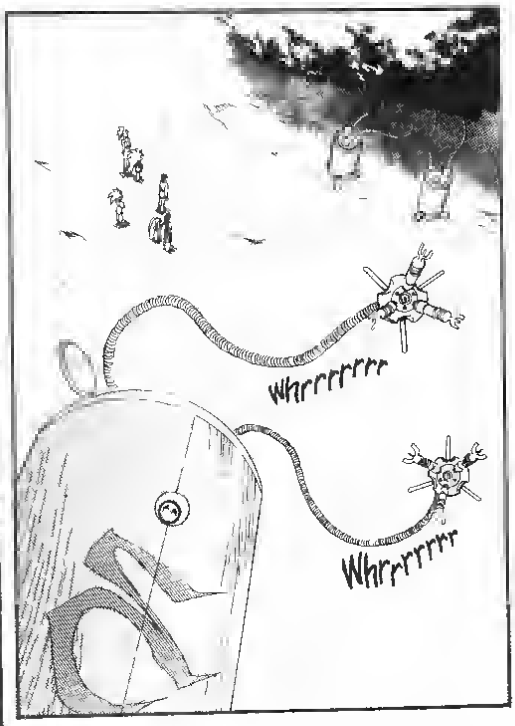
"OUT-CAST CHILD"?


HAD THE TREE DONE ANY HARM?
I'D LIKE TO HEAR THAT FROM LORD IBARA.

WELL?
WILL YOU TELL US NOW?

THERE IS NO NEED TO HIDE IT ANY MORE.
THIS NAMELESS TREE FORESEES THE FUTURE!

IT PROMISED TO TELL ME...
...EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED HERE THOSE 800 YEARS AGO...


Whrrrrrrr
Whrrrrrrr

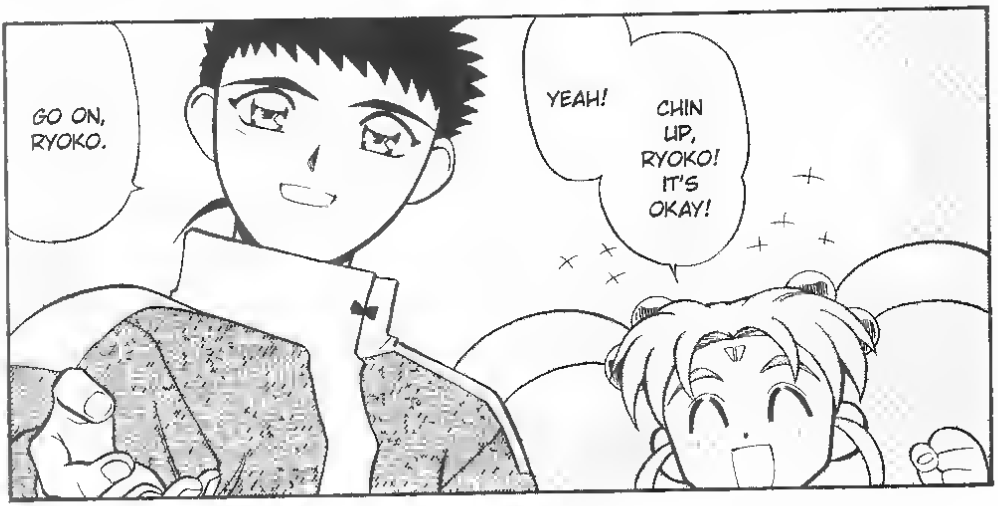
WELL?
THERE IS NO MISTAKE.
Whrrr

NOW, RYOKO!
DO YOU HEAR IT CALLING YOU?
.....
PaTOOm
pa-TOOm
FINALLY I CAN LEARN THE MEANING OF THAT DREAM...
WHAT WAS I SHOWN 800 YEARS AGO?
PaTOOm
AND WITH WHOM DID I FIRST FALL IN LOVE...?
PaTOOm!
NOW I'LL KNOW THE ANSWER!
SKURK
WHAT'S THE MATTER? AM I AFRAID TO FIND OUT THE TRUTH-- AFTER ALL THIS?
FmF

THERE IS A LEGEND AMONG MY CLAN...
"GUARD THE NAMELESS TREE WITH YOUR LIFE, SO THAT ITS POWER CANNOT ENDANGER THE UNIVERSE."
THIS TREE'S EXISTENCE WAS KEPT TOP SECRET EVEN ON JURAI.
SUCH POWER CAN BE USED--OR MISUSED. THIS POOR TREE COULD CAUSE GREAT CHAOS, EVEN TIME PARA-DOXES...
BUT THAT SAME "POWER" LET US RESCUE AYEKA!
THEN YOU DID...
RYOKO!
BUT THE NAMELESS TREE WILL ONLY GRANT ITS PROPHECIES TO SOMEONE THAT IT LIKES--THAT IT TRUSTS.
IBARA ...
THE TREE SHOWED ME A VISION...
...AND I TRUSTED IT! THAT'S WHY AYEKA'S SAFE!

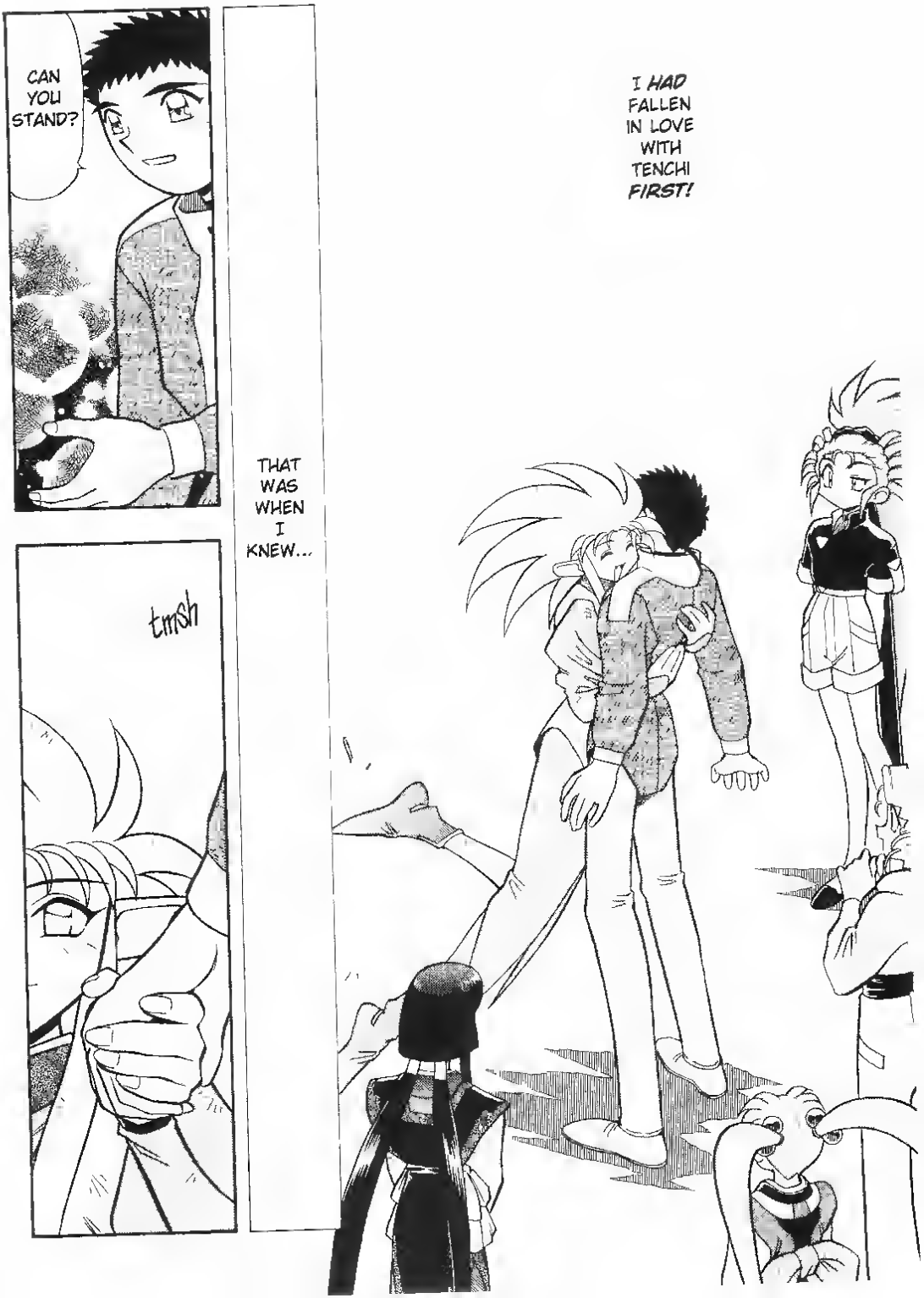
EVEN IF YOU REMEMBER EVERYTHING, WHAT HAVE YOU GOT TO LOSE?
HEH!
MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS.
SHE'S RIGHT ...
THANKS, AYEKA.
I'VE MADE UP MY MIND!

!?
TENCHI!

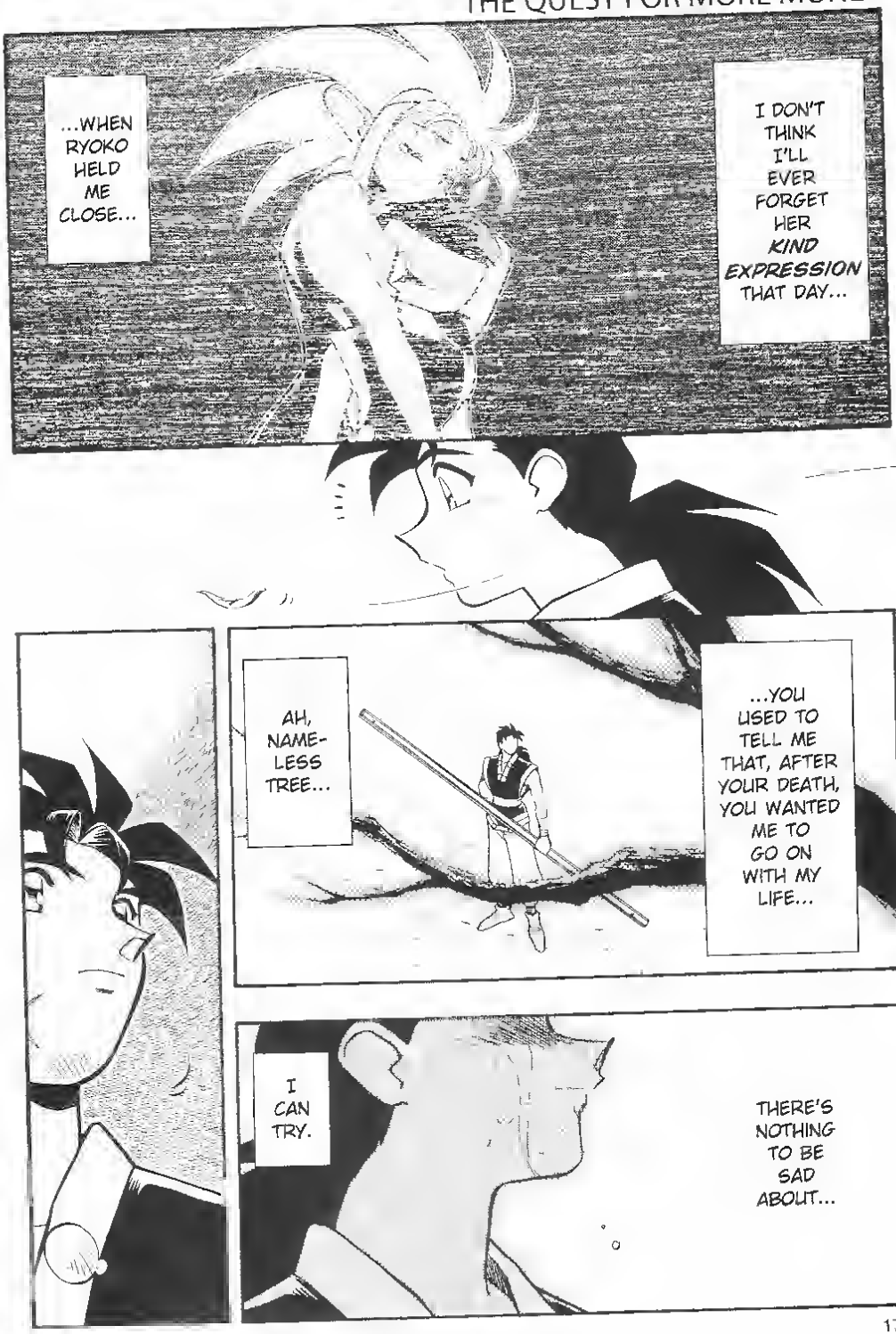

GO ON, RYOKO.
YEAH!
CHIN UP, RYOKO! IT'S OKAY!

800 YEARS AGO, I WAS JUST AN UNFEELING MARIONETTE...
ALTHOUGH IT WAS ONLY A VISION, I PANICKED AT THE UNKNOWN SENSATION AND I...
I SHUT DOWN MY OWN MEMORIES!

IN AN *INSTANT*, I UNDERSTOOD... THERE IT WAS-- THE *VISION* THAT THE NAMELESS TREE SHOWED ME 800 YEARS BEFORE.
IT WAS THE *FUTURE*... HOW I MET TENCHI AND BECAME ATTRACTED TO HIM... HOW EMOTIONS AROSE IN ME FOR THE *FIRST TIME*...


CAN YOU STAND?
THAT WAS WHEN I KNEW...
tmsh
I HAD FALLEN IN LOVE WITH TENCHI FIRST!

THAT'S HOW IT HAPPENED!
THE IMAGES OVER-LAPPED BACK THEN, JUST LIKE THIS.
IBARA WAS SO SIMILAR TO TENCHI...
...THAT I HELD HIM CLOSE WITHOUT THINKING.


...WHEN RYOKO HELD ME CLOSE...
I DON'T THINK I'LL EVER FORGET HER KIND EXPRESSION THAT DAY...
AH, NAME-LESS TREE...
...YOU USED TO TELL ME THAT, AFTER YOUR DEATH, YOU WANTED ME TO GO ON WITH MY LIFE...
I CAN TRY.
THERE'S NOTHING TO BE SAD ABOUT...

VMM
VMM
VMM
VMM
RMB RMB
RMB RMB
.....
CONGRATULATIONS, RYOKO...
YOU HAVE MET *WONDERFUL* PEOPLE...
AND THANK YOU, LORD TENCHI... FOR LETTING ME PUT MY FEELINGS IN ORDER.
THAT DAY...

I WILL LIVE THE REST OF MY LIFE... WITH YOU IN MY HEART...
VMM VM VMVMM
VMMMM
I DID A BAD THING TO IBARA...
OH, RYOKO!

REST IN PEACE, MY FRIEND...

HUH?
THIS WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A TREASURE HUNT!
pLop
KO
WE BOUGHT SOME SNACKS FOR 210 YEN PLUS TAX, SO ALL WE HAVE IS 102 YEN LEFT!
BUT WE GOT NOTHING!
?
oh no

SO IT DID WEIGH ON YOUR MIND A LITTLE!
EVEN THOUGH HE LOVED YOU ALL THIS TIME, YOU NEVER CHECKED BACK, NOT FOR 800 YEARS.
ON TOP OF THAT, YOU'D TOTALLY FORGOTTEN ABOUT HIM...
AND, AS A FINAL BLOW, YOU BASICALLY CAME TO SHOW OFF THE GUY YOU LIKE!
THAT'S HOW IT HAPPENS !!
stab
stab
Unk
WHAT'S THE MATTER, SASAMI?
SASAMI?
ARRGH!!
W-- WELL, IT'S JUST... I...
sniff
I THOUGHT OF SOME-THING AWFUL...

A WORD FROM THE ARTIST

HITOSHI OKUDA

I was really happy to do the manga adaptation of the Tenchi Muyô! OAVs, but to be honest I was also really nervous. Would the characters' personalities come alive through the manga medium? Would Tenchi work in a manga? Would Ryoko? Ayeka? Sasami? Mihoshi? Washu? Ryo-oh-ki? But now the characters are moving about, playing on the paper with my drawing hand.

And already we're up to the 9th volume! Soon we'll be in the double digits. So far the covers to the manga have featured each of the main characters once (more or less). I've used them up, though, so now I'll start reusing the same characters. Only now they'll wear original Hitoshi Okuda designer costumes! So please keep an eye out for the cover of Vol. 10.

Hitoshi Okuda *was famous in Japanese fan publications (dôjinshi) under a pen name long before he made his professional debut. He studied under Nobuteru Yuki and Yutaka Izubuchi, two of Japan's top animators. In 1991 he was one of eight manga artists to be profiled in Studio Gainax's one-shot English magazine* ***Mega Comics****. His other works include* ***Radical Guardian****, published in Japan by Fujimi Shobo.*

MEAN-WHILE, BACK ON EARTH...
SHEESH! THIS IS WHY ROYAL FAMILIES ARE ANNOYING ...
HE JUST CAN'T SAY NO...
Dear Ayeka, This should tide you over for some time. You should come home once in a while Yaeki and Funaho need
KA CHING
THIS WOULD THROW EARTH'S GOLD MARKET INTO TOTAL CHAOS.
KA CHING
JURAI PARC EXPRESS
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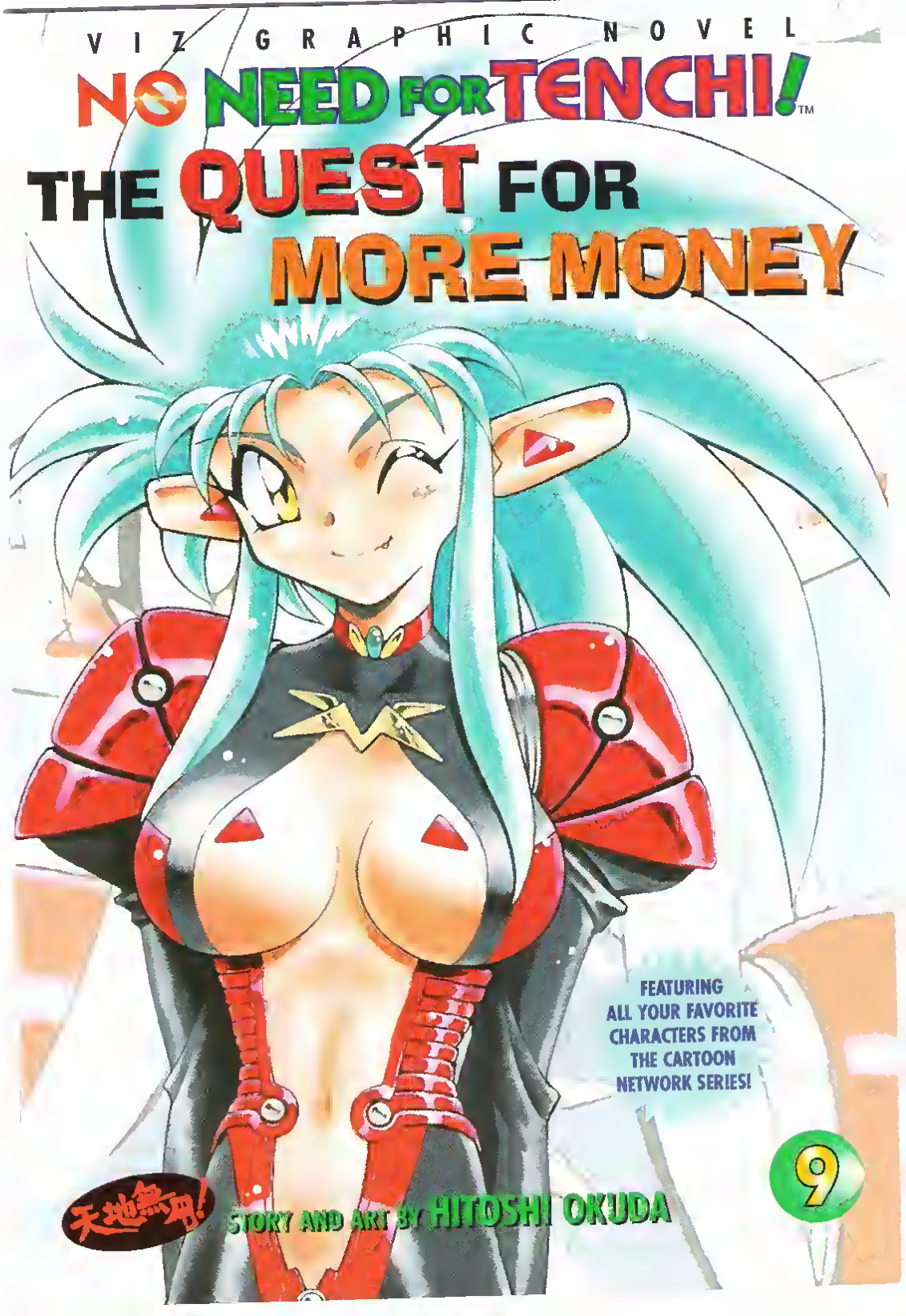

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